

TOWN OF HAMPTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

ANNUAL

REPORT



FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31

1997

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

FIRE EMERGENCY.....9-1-1

AMBULANCE EMERGENCY.....9-1-1

POLICE EMERGENCY.....9-1-1

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FOR ANSWERS ON:.....CALL THE.....AT:

Administration (Town Government)	Town Manager	926-6766
Assessment of Property	Assessing Office	929-5837
Bills & Accounts	Accounting	929-5815
Building/Electrical/Plumbing Permits	Building Inspector	929-5911
Cemeteries	High St. Cemetery	926-6659
Certificates of Occupancy	Building Inspector	929-5826
District Court	Clerk of Courts	926-8117
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	926-0406
Elections/Voter Registration	Town Clerk	926-0406
Fire Routine Business	Fire Department	926-3316
Health - Complaints & Inspections	Building Inspector	929-5826
Library	Lane Memorial Library	926-3368
Motor Vehicle Registrations	Town Clerk	926-0406
Recreation & Parks	Recreation Dept	926-3932
Rubbish Collection	Public Works	926-4402
Transfer Station	Public Works	926-3202
Taxes	Tax Collector	926-6769
Welfare Assistance	Welfare Office	926-5948
Zoning & Building Codes	Building Inspector	929-5826

HOURS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Town Offices are open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Town Clerk is open 9 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Monday

and 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tuesday thru Friday

Welfare Office is open 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Lane Memorial Library - Mon. thru Thurs. 9 a.m.- 8 p.m.

Friday & Saturday 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

On the cover: An aerial photograph of the Hampton coast, taken for the marsh restoration program under the supervision of Municipal Pest Management and the Conservation Commission. Photo supplied by Mr. Michael Morrison.

Town of Hampton
New Hampshire

360th Annual Report
for the
Fiscal Year
Ended December 31, 1997



IN MEMORIAM



LEWIS W. BROWN

1921 · 1997 ·

TAX COLLECTOR 1971 · 1988

SELECTMEN 1992 · 1995

Lewis will be fondly remembered and sincerely missed by his many friends and the residents of Hampton whom he served for over 20 years. We are proud to name the new recreation area, on Hardardt Way the Lewis Brown Park.



DEDICATION

The Town of Hampton's Annual Report for 1998 is dedicated to the memory of the following persons who served in Town government positions – both elective and appointive, as well as in our operational departments. An appreciative community honors their years of public service.

Lewis W. Brown

*Tax Collector 1971 - 1988
Selectman 1992-1995
Bicentennial Committee
Water Co. Advisory Comm.*

Joseph LaFramboise

*Public Works Employee
1958 - 1982*

Helen Long

*Assessing Secretary
1980 - 1984*

Joseph Palladino

*350th Anniversary Committee
1988*

Bernard Robertson

*Deputy Chief, Hampton Call
Fire Department 1971 - 1997*

George Sumner

*Selectman 1947 - 1953
Tax Collector 1958 - 1962*

Ruth True

Library Trustee 1951- 1960

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Hampton's 1996 Town Report was awarded Second Place by the New Hampshire Municipal Association. Judging is based on quality and excellence in compiling and production of the annual report.

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HAMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN, 1997



Left to Right - Virginia Bridle, Brian Warburton, Michael Plouffe;
Back Row - Frederick Rice, Bonnie Searle

❖ ELECTED GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS ❖
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Brian C. Warburton.....	926-6063
Michael T. Plouffe, Sr.....	926-3793
Virginia B. Bridle.....	926-7216
Frederick C. Rice.....	929-1517
Bonnie B. Searle.....	929-0068
(Selectmen's Office Telephone Number - 926-6766)	

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMISSIONER (District 1)	
Katharin Pratt.....	926-3531
Brentwood Office.....	679-2256

STATE REPRESENTATIVES (Rockingham District 23)	
Andrew Christie.....	926-7106
Robert Cushing.....	926-2737
Sheila Francoeur.....	926-2554
Jane Kelley.....	926-2903
Kenneth Malcolm.....	926-3034

STATE SENATOR (District 23)	
Beverly Hollingworth.....	926-4880

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR (District 3)	
Ruth L. Griffin.....	436-5272

GOVERNOR	
Jeanne Shaheen.....	271-2121
Citizen Service Number	1-800-852-3456

CONGRESSMAN (First District of N.H.)	
John E. Sununu.....	1-800-852-3456
U.S. Capital Congressional Directory	1-800-972-3524

U.S. SENATORS	
Bob Smith.....	1-800-922-2230
Judd Gregg.....	431-2171

PRESIDENT	
William Clinton	
White House Switchboard.....	1-202-456-1414
Comments and Opinions.....	1-202-456-7639

❖ HAMPTON TOWN OFFICERS/1997 ❖

<u>Elected</u>		Term Expires
Moderator	John R. Walker	1998
Selectmen	Brian C. Warburton, Chairman	1998
	Michael T. Plouffe	1999
	Virginia B. Bridle	1999
	Frederick C. Rice	2000
	Bonnie B. Searle	2000
Town Clerk	Arleen Andreozzi (Deputy-Betty Poliquin)	1998
Collector of Taxes	Joyce Sheehan (Deputy: Judith Beaulieu)	2000
Treasurer	Ellen M. Lavin (Deputy: Margaret Chidester)	1999
Trustees of the Trust Funds	C. Raymond Gilmore, Chairman	1999
	Robert V. Lessard	1998
	John J. Kelley, Sr.	2000
Supervisors of the Checklist	Charlotte K. Preston, Chairman	1998
	Betty H. Moore	2000
	Judith A. DuBois	2002
Planning Board	Carolyn Payzant, Chairman	1999
	Peter Olney, Vice Chairman	2000
	James Workman, Clerk	2000
	Keith R. Lessard	1998
	Robert Viviano	1999
	Clifton J. Pratt	1998
	Fred Rice, Selectman Member	1998
	Curt McCrady, ZBA Alternate	1998
Alternates:	Daniel Trahan	1999
	Robert Posey	1998
	Susan Zarlengo	1998
Municipal Budget Committee	James Tierney, Chairman	1998
	Jane Cameron, Vice Chairman	2000
	John Payzant	1998
	Paul Lessard	1998
	Paul Corbett	1999
	Paul Comeau	1999

HAMPTON TOWN OFFICERS, Cont.

Budget Committee

Lawrence S. Forsely	1999
Scott Vandersall	1999
Michael O'Neil	2000
Brian Lacey	2000
John Skumin	2000
Michael T. Plouffe, Selectman	1998
William Coughlin, School Board	1998
Thomas Higgins, Precinct Member	1998

Library Trustees

Gerald McConnell, Chairman	1999
Elizabeth A. Lavallee	1998
Catherine B. Anderson	1999
Thomas E. Donaldson	2000
Barbara Rallis	2000

Cemeter Trustees

Matthew J. Shaw, Chairman	1999
Charlotte K. Preston	1998
Brian C. Lacey	2000

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Curtis G. McCrady, Chairman	1999
Robert "Vic" Lessard, Vice Chairman	2000
Wendell C. Ring, Jr., Clerk	1998
Richard W. True	1998
Bruce Nickerson	2000

Alternates:	Carolyn Payzant	1998
	George Cagliuso	1998
	Judith Doyle	2000

❖ APPOINTED BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ❖

Highway Safety Committee

Brian Lacey, Chairman	1999
Zane S. Blanchard, Vice Chair.	1999
Judith A. Park	1998
Alan W. Roach	2000
Robert R. Ross	1998
Zane S. Blanchard	1999

Alternates:	Jane Cameron	1998
	Fred Pallazolo	1998

HAMPTON TOWN OFFICERS, Cont.

Conservation Commission	Vivianne G. Marcotte, Chairman	2000
	Bonnie P. Thimble	1998
	Peter Tilton, Jr.	1998
	Betty Callanan	1998
	Daniel P. Gangai	1999
	David Weber	1999
	Alberta True	2000
Alternates:	Ellen Goethel	1998
Leased Land Real Estate Commission	Glyn P. Eastman, Chairman	2001
	Hollis W. Blake	1998
	John H. Woodburn	1998
	Arthur J. Moody	1999
	Raymond E. Alie	2000
Mosquito Control Commission	John Skumin, Chairman	1998
	Arthur Moody	1999
	Margaret Facey	2000
Shade Tree Commission	Susan W. Erwin, Chairman	1998
	Virginia Raub	1999
	Marilyn Wallingford	2000
Recreation Advisory Council	Edward Kotkowski, Chairman	1998
	Donald J. Butler	1998
	Judith O'Donnell-Zinka	1998
	Bonnie B. Searle, Sel. Rep.	1998
	Rita Graham	1998
	Daragh B. Shannon	1999
	Michael O'Neil	1999
	James Patton	1999
	Jennifer Andreozzi	1999
	Gary Bashline	2000
	L. Eleanor Dawson	2000
	Jeff Cullinane	2000
Cable TV Advisory Committee	"Bill" Cross, Chairman	1999
	William H. Sullivan	1998
	Richard W. Bateman	1999
	Michael T. Plouffe (Selectman)	1998
	John W. Donaldson	2000
	Doug DeSilva	2000
	Thomas Andrews	2000

HAMPTON TOWN OFFICERS, Cont.

Heritage Commission	Stephen MacInnes, Chair.	2000
	Henry Stonie, Vice Chair.	1999
	Frederick C. Rice, Sel. Rep.	1998
	Elizabeth Aykroyd, Clerk	2000
	Helen Hobbs	1999
	Betty Moore	1998
	Ansell Palmer	1998
	Bonnie Thimble, Conserv. Rep.	1998
Growth Management Oversight Board	Edward "Sandy" Buck	
	Curtis McCrady	
	Donald Tilbury	
USS HAMPTON Committee	Arthur J. Moody, Chairman	
	L. Robert Searle, Vice Chairman	
	Bonnie B. Searle, Clerk	
	Kenneth W. Malcolm	
	Katherin C. Pratt	
	Walter A. Connor	
	Theresa J. McGinnis	
	Douglas S. Aykroyd	
	Edward "Sandy" Buck, III	
	Robert B. Griffin	

❖ APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMISSIONS AND DISTRICTS ❖

Rockingham Planning Commission	Peter B. Olney	April 1, 1999
	Warren T. Bambury	1998
Seacoast Metropolitan Planning Organization	Clifton J. Pratt	June 30, 1998
	Warren T. Bambury	1998
Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District (SRDD/53B)	Virginia Raub	May 15, 1999
Seacoast Shipyard Association	Kenneth W. Malcolm	Indefinite

❖ APPOINTED OFFICIALS ❖

Town Manager	James S. Barrington
Administrative Assistant	Karen M. Anderson
Director of Accounting	John Q. Adams
Building Inspector/Health Officer	Donald H. Graves
Assistant Bldg. Inspector	Ernest Gauthier
Seasonal Assistant Inspector	Jason Page
Assessor	Robert A. Estey
Deputy Assessor	Angela A. Boucher
Chief of Police	William L. Wrenn, Jr.
Fire Chief and Emerg. Management Dir.	William H. Sullivan
Deputy Fire Chief	Anthony B. Chouinard
Public Works Director	John R. Hangen
Operations Manager	Douglas R. Mellin
Recreation Director	Dyana Lassonde
Welfare Officer	Eileen Latimer
Town Counsel	
	SHAINES & McEACHERN - John H. McEachern, Esq.
	SHEEHAN, PHINNEY, BASS & GREEN: Reynold Perry, Negotiator

VILLAGE DISTRICT

Hampton Beach Village	Skip Windemiller, Jr.
District ("Precinct")	Michael Roy
Commission	Thomas Higgins

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

One thing is certain: Things are well in the Town of Hampton and are getting better each and every day. The 1997-1998 edition of the Board of Selectmen has had an exciting and visionary year. In April, the Board welcomed Fred Rice and Bonnie Searle as its newest selectmen and began a new program of starting its weekly meetings by presenting good news to the public and introducing Hampton residents who have made a positive contribution of time and effort for the betterment of the community. Town employees, elected and public officials and residents have been recognized in this manner, and the feedback has been extremely positive.

We saw many projects through to completion and also got some new ones off the ground. The Eel Ditch culvert was completed in June, replacing the one damaged by the heavy rains of October, 1996. We also joined with our neighbor, North Hampton in a program to restore the Little River marshland that straddles our common boundary.

A Community Coordinating Council was established to give the town's departments, organizations, boards and committees an opportunity to explain their responsibilities, functions and accomplishments to all the residents of Hampton via public access television Channel 58. As a direct result of this council report, a facility was made available for our senior citizens to use as a gathering place and activity center until a permanent site can be established. The Board also began implementation of the Town Meeting vote to build a gazebo in Marelli Square by establishing a committee to develop a design for the project.

We continue to make improvements to the area around the former town landfill with the development of various recreational facilities along Hardardt's Way. These include an ice rink, an indoor soccer area built by Seacoast United Soccer and the town's first skateboard park, which should be completed in 1998. In conjunction with our Precinct Commissioner's we established a new basketball court on Brown Avenue.

We continue to look at a variety of economic and planning approaches which will carry our town forward, prepared to enter the twenty-first century on a solid footing. The 99-year Hampton Beach Improvement Company lease came to an end this year, providing an opportunity for new investment in beach infrastructure, facilities and businesses. Infrastructure improvements, to include the rebuilding of Route 1, systematic maintenance and upgrading of other town roads, comprehensive improvement of drainage, and sewage treatment plant upgrades have all been discussed, and plans are being initiated to address these issues. In addition, steps are being initiated for a new police facility, and more land is being set aside for recreation and conservation on the Campbell Farm property on Towle Farm Road.

One of the more exciting and timely events took place in November when we announced an agreement with Citizen's Bank to purchase the property on Winnacunnet Road for our new town offices. This agreement

reflects our vision for the future, and presents us with a great opportunity to improve our town facilities at a very modest cost. We hope that the voters will join us in making this vision a reality by supporting the purchase.

Our Board realizes that cooperation and coordination are the keys to success. We continue to foster good relations with the town's planning, zoning and school boards, and have held joint meetings with them this year to investigate, consider or support various projects and activities. A milestone was established when we met with the planning and zoning committees to consider the need for a full-time planner. A joint committee established to investigate the matter has drawn up an article for the 1998 ballot. Another milestone was passed when we met with the school board in December to express joint support for both the aforementioned bank building purchase and the much needed Centre School addition. We are confident that such continued partnerships and open discussions will lead to more positive results which will benefit the whole town.

The Capital Improvement Program developed a plan for implementing several much-needed town improvements on a priority basis, thereby ensuring a nearly level tax rate over the next several years. Speaking of tax rates, ours went down this year!! This will enable many of the projects recommended by the CIP committee to be brought before the voters for approval in 1998 without creating a major jump in the tax rate, as has happened in the past.

For the very first time, our town elections will be held in the newly enlarged Marston School. This will provide more space and better lighting, while giving voters a chance to see how their tax dollars have produced a beautiful and functional facility for the education of our children.

There are many more things that I could address if space permitted. But as one can see, the positive atmosphere and getting-things-done approach which this Board has adopted is definitely producing results. We continue to seize the moment. Each and every resident of Hampton should be proud of what they bring to this town, our town. Hats off to our department heads, our many employees, our volunteers, those who visit here, and those who have chosen to make Hampton their home. Thanks also to our elected officials, both past and present, who bring a historical perspective as well as a forward approach to our many tasks.

Information and Education are key to all that we do. A big thanks to Channel 58 and the volunteers who man the control room and cameras for our weekly broadcasts and other special events. Thanks to our print media, for their consistency and fairness. We appreciate your efforts to promote the news of Hampton. A special thanks to our Administrative Assistant, Karen Anderson, for always being there for us, with her knowledge and commitment to us and the residents who call or come by for assistance. My heartfelt thanks to our Town Manager, James Barrington, who has been a positive influence on all of us, and who has brought to our community a keen ability to compromise, to help build consensus and a warm and friendly demeanor.

Lastly, to my colleagues, Ginny, Mike, Fred and Bonnie, thank you for

making this a year which has been exciting, challenging and full of accomplishments. I am sure it is the start of many such years to come in the future. We have engaged in great debates on a number of issues, offering our views and opinions for the betterment of all. Even at times when we have disagreed, we have done so strictly on a business basis, while maintaining personal respect and courtesy for one another. When it is all said and done, we continue to do the job for which we were elected. Thanks, for addressing the issues forthrightly, making informed decisions, and helping to create a vision that will put us at the forefront as one of the finest communities anywhere.

For the Board of Selectmen,

Brian C. Warburton, Chairman



Chairman Warburton presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the Board of Selectmen to retiring Tax Collector. Ann Kaiser.



James S. Barrington
Town Manager

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

My catch phrase for 1997 was "Never a Dull Moment"! What an accurate description of the year in Hampton! The year began with methane migrating from the closed landfill and ended with an opportunity to purchase the Citizen's Bank building. In the meantime, the on-going work of the Town proceeded at a pace that seldom slowed and never stopped.

Recovering from the floods of October 1996, new bridges were installed on Drakeside and Winnacunnet Roads. The washout of Little River at the north end of town led to cooperative work by the towns of Hampton and North Hampton in conjunction with the state and federal governments. Fortunately, the flood was not a foreboding of the winter. Aside from the April 1 snowstorm, the winter was mild. (That was a nice transition for me -- from Florida!)

April witnessed the Town's first experience with the ballot law (SB2). It was a triumph for the voters with almost 4000 citizens casting ballots in their local elections! The results were a reflection of the diversity of Hampton's citizens and the variety of their economic and political wishes.

Along with the expected tourist influx, summer introduced a debate over the reconstruction of Route 1 being Town funded in anticipation of a federal grant. In the meantime, the town's tennis courts were resurfaced, recreation areas at the landfill were opened, the roof on the downtown fire station was replaced, and a rescue boat for the fire department arrived. Numerous streets were paved or overlaid, sidewalks were constructed, and drains were repaired. A landmark of my first year came June 5 when it was my turn to buy coffee for the 3:00 o'clock coffee club at Marelli's.

Fall ushered in an early budget process prompted by new legislation giving the ballot law a new schedule. Work began in Sun Valley to install sewer lines for the first time. The state awarded a contract for dredging Hampton Harbor and reconstructing the half-tide jetty to prevent beach erosion. Fall also saw discussions of a full time planner for the town; and the fire department made a special Thanksgiving Day by using the new rescue boat to save three lives.

One of the most profound impacts on Hampton's town government in recent years has been the introduction of live broadcasts over cable TV's channel 58. It is hard for those of us who regularly appear before the camera's eye to go anywhere without feedback from our citizens on issues which have been discussed/debated/argued at Monday night's Selectmen's meeting. That's great! The window into the meetings is a remarkable opportunity for citizens to view their government's operations first hand. The interest and the feedback are vital. Keep up the good work of letting your government officials know what you expect from us. With 1997 now history, let's work together to make 1998 better in every way. See you at the polls!

Respectfully,
James S. Barrington
Town Manager

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they
shall be called sons of God.

Matthew 5: 9

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 15, 1997
RESULTS OF BALLOTING
APRIL 8, 1997**

Moderator John Walker opened the March 15, 1997 Annual Meeting of the Town of Hampton at 8:30 AM. Reverend George Ham, Pastor of Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Church, delivered the invocation. The Honorable Jane Kelley, State Representative, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator introduced the following town officials: Town Manager, James S. Barrington; Town Attorney for this meeting, John McEachern; Chairman of the Budget Committee, John Payzant; Selectmen Michael Plouffe, Virginia Bridle, Brian Warburton, Arthur Moody; Chairperson of the Board of Selectmen, Mary-Louise Woolsey; Town Clerk Arleen Andreozzi; and Deputy Town Clerk, Betty Poliquin. He also introduced various departments heads: Police Chief, William Wrenn; Fire Chief, William "Skip" Sullivan; Public Works Director, John Hangen; Finance Director, John Adams; Recreation Director, Dyana Lassonde; and Administrative Assistant, Karen Anderson.

Mr. Walker explained the changes in the Town Meeting as a result of the new ballot law and that the final vote on each article would now be determined by Official Ballot on April 8, 1997.

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved, seconded by Brian Warburton, to postpone reading the warrant in its entirety. There was no opposition. Moderator Walker stated he would read each article in turn.

He explained the 10% rule in response to a Point of Inquiry made by David Lang. The Moderator replied that if the budget went over 10% that the articles would be funded in the same order as they appear on the ballot. (The meeting started with Article 2, but for the sake of consistency the articles are reported here in numerical order.)

The voters of Hampton met at the Uptown Fire Station on April 8, 1997 to elect officers and to vote on all articles. Moderator Walker opened the polls at 7:00AM and they remained open until 8:00PM. Paul Lessard moved to waive reading the warrant. Seconded by Dennis Kilroy. It was agreed upon by all present. Number of voters at polls 3079. Absentee ballots counted 639. Total vote cast 3718. Number of registered voters 11,171.

ARTICLE 1

To choose by non-partisan ballot: Two (2) Selectmen for Three Years; One (1) Tax Collector for Three Years; One (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for Three Years; Two (2) Library Trustees for Three Years; Two (2) Planning Board Members for Three Years; One (1) Planning Board Member for One Year; One (1) Budget Committee Member for One (1) Year; Four (4) Budget Committee Members for Three Years; One (1) Cemetery Trustee for Three Years; Two (2) Zoning Board of Adjustment Members for Three Years.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

For Three Years	Vote for Two
THOMAS J. GILICK, JR.	925
SHARLEENE HURST	769
FRANCIS X. MCNEIL	280
FREDERICK C. "FRED" RICE	2325*
BONNIE B. SEARLE	1729*
WILLIAM J. STODDARD	177
MARY-LOUISE WOOLSEY	562

TAX COLLECTOR

For Three Years	Vote for One
EDWARD BUCK	721
KEITH R. LESSARD	555
WENDELL C. RING	488
MAUREEN L. SHAW	679
JOYCE SHEEHAN	1128*

TRUSTEE of the TRUST FUNDS

For Three Years	Vote for One
JOHN J. KELLEY	1833*
DANNY J. KENNEY	1153

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

For Three Years	Vote for Two
THOMAS E. DONALDSON	1583*
JEREMIAH J. LONERGAN	1497
BARBARA A. RALLIS	2026*

PLANNING BOARD

For One Year	Vote for One
CURTIS G. MCCRADY	1551
CLIFTON "JACK" PRATT	1585*

PLANNING BOARD

For Three years

Vote for Two

ARTHUR J. MOODY

1411

PETER B. OLNEY

2099*

JAMES A. WORKMAN

2409*

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

For Three Years

Vote for One

BRIAN A. LACEY

2745*

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

For One Year

Vote for One

ZANE BLANCHARD (Write in)

17

ARTHUR CAIRA (Write in)

11

EILEEN LATIMER (Write in)

10

PAUL LESSARD (Write in)

180*

ARTHUR MOODY (Write in)

17

MICHAEL O'NEIL (Write in)

10

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

For Three Years

Vote for Four

JANE CAMERON

2273*

JOHN P. SKUMIN

1840*

ARTHUR CAIRA (Write in)

112

BRIAN LACEY (Write in)

120*

EILEEN LATIMER (Write in)

13

PAUL LESSARD (Write in)

33

LEO LEBLANC (Write in)

50

ARTHUR MOODY (Write in)

12

MICHAEL O'NEIL (Write in)

162*

MICHAEL ROY (Write in)

12

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

For Three Years

Vote for Two

ROBERT "VIC" LESSARD

1989*

BRUCE NICKERSON

1935*

SUSAN ZARLENGO-WHITAKER

1688

*DENOTES WINNER

ARTICLE 2

Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Hampton, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$30,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$40,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$50,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married at least for 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$16,000, or if married, a combined net income of less than \$23,000 and own assets not in excess of \$50,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Seconded by Brian Warburton.

Mrs. Woolsey offered an amendment to increase the net income from \$16,000 to \$19,000 for a single person and from \$23,000 to \$28,000 for a married couple. Seconded by Virginia Bridle. The Woolsey Amendment passed on a hand vote.

Wendell Ring moved to further increase the net income to \$21,000 for a single person and to \$30,000 for a married couple. Seconded by Mrs. Woolsey. The Ring Amendment passed on a hand vote.

There were no other motions and the Moderator stated Article 2 would go on the ballot as amended.

RESULTS OF THE APRIL 8, 1997 BALLOTING

YES 2662

NO 676

ARTICLE 2 PASSED

The Moderator told the assembly that Articles 3 through 14 are Planning Board articles and they would not be discussed at this meeting. They will appear on the ballot as written. He instructed the voters he would proceed to Article 15.

Results of Articles 3 through 14 are presented here to keep ballot questions in sequential order.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

"Article XIV REGULATION OF ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

“Article XIV REGULATION OF ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

PURPOSE

It is the purpose and intent of this ordinance to protect the public health, safety, welfare and morals of the community, to promote the stability of property values, and impose restrictions upon those activities which pander to gross sexuality in a manner that would detract from the neighborhood, reputation of Hampton, increase crime and violence, and be contrary to the morals of the community. It is the intent of this ordinance that the regulations be utilized to prevent problems of blight and deterioration which accompany and are brought about by the concentration of sexually oriented businesses; and, the provisions of this ordinance have neither the purpose nor the effect of imposing limitation or restriction on the content of any communicative materials, including sexually oriented materials; and, it is not the intent nor effect of this article to restrict or deny access by adults to sexually oriented materials protected by the First Amendment, or to deny access by the distributors and exhibitors of sexually oriented entertainment to their intended market; and neither is it the intent nor effect of this ordinance to condone or legitimize the distribution of obscene material.

14.1 DEFINITIONS OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES

A sexually oriented business is any place of business at which any of the following activities are conducted:

- A. Adult Bookstore or Adult Video Store - a business that devotes more than 15% of the total display, shelf, rack, table, stand, or floor area, utilized for the display and sale of the following:
 - 1. Books, magazines, periodicals, or other printed material, or photographs, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, tapes, records, CD-ROMs, or other forms of visual or audio representations which meets the definition of “harmful to minors” and/or “sexual conduct” as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1; or,
 - 2. Instruments, devices, or paraphernalia which are designed for use in connection with “sexual conduct” as defined in R.S.A. 571-B:1, other than birth control devices.
- B. Adult Motion Picture Theater - An establishment with a capacity of five or more persons, where for any form of consideration, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides or similar photographic reproductions are shown;
- C. and, in which a substantial portion of the total presentation time is devoted to the showing of material which meets the definition of “harmful to minors” and/or “sexual conduct” as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1, for observation by patrons.

- D. Adult Motion Picture Arcade - Any place to which the public is permitted or invited wherein coin or slug operated or electronically electrically or mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other images-producing devices are maintained to show images to five or fewer persons per machine at any one time, in which a portion of the total presentation time of the images so displayed is devoted to the showing of material which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- E. Adult Drive-in Theater - An open lot or part thereof, with appurtenant facilities, devoted primarily to the presentation of motion pictures, films, theatrical productions, and other forms of visual productions, for any form of consideration to persons in motor vehicles or on outdoor seats, in which a substantial portion of the total presentation time being presented for observation by patrons is devoted to the showing of material which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- F. Adult Cabaret - A nightclub, bar, restaurant, or similar establishment which during a portion of the total presentation time features live performances which meet the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1, and/or feature films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or other photographic reproductions, a portion of the presentation time of which is devoted to showing of material which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- G. Adult Motel - A motel or similar establishment offering public accommodations for any form of consideration which provides patrons with closed circuit television transmissions, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or other photographic reproductions, a substantial portion of the total presentation time of which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis upon the depiction or description of materials which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- H. Adult Theater - A theater, concert hall, auditorium, or similar establishment either indoor or outdoor in nature, which for any form of consideration, regularly features live performances, a substantial portion of the total presentation time of which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on activities which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.

- I. Nude Model Studio - A place where a person who appears in a state of nudity or displays male genitals in a state of sexual arousal and/or the vulva or more intimate parts of the female genitals and is observed, sketched, drawn, painted, sculptured, photographed, or similarly depicted by other persons who pay money or any form of consideration or such display is characterized by an emphasis on activities which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.
- J. Sexual Encounter Center - A business or commercial enterprise that as one of its primary business purposes, offers for any form of consideration (A) physical contact in the form of wrestling or tumbling between persons of the opposite sex; or (B) activities between male and female persons and/or persons of the same sex when one or more persons is in the state of nudity; or where the activities in (A) or (B) is characterized by an emphasis on activities which meets the definition of "harmful to minors" and/or "sexual conduct" as set forth in R.S.A. 571-B:1.

14.2 ALLOWED LOCATION AND LOCATION RESTRICTIONS OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES

Sexually Oriented Businesses, as defined above shall be permitted only in the Industrial Zone (I) by Special Permit and Site Plan Review and provided that all other regulations, requirements, and restrictions for the zone in which the sexually oriented business is to be located are met; and, no sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 1000 feet of another existing sexually oriented business or one for which a building permit has been applied for; and, no sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 750 feet of any other zoning district; and,

No sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 1000 feet of any church; place of worship; parish house; convent; public, parochial, or private school; kindergarten; state approved day care center; elderly housing or public sports/recreation parks; and, no sexually oriented business shall be established within 750 feet of the Town boundaries; and no sexually oriented business shall be permitted within a building, premise, structure or other facility that contains a sexually oriented business as defined in paragraphs A through I above and, no sexually oriented business shall be permitted within 750 feet of Exeter Road, Rte. 101, Rte. 1 and Rte. 1A which are considered to be the gateway roads into the Town of Hampton.

14.3 MEASURE OF DISTANCE

The distance between any two sexually oriented businesses shall be measured in a straight line, without regard to intervening structures, from the closest exterior structural wall or temporary or permanent physical divider of each business.

14.4 ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS

The Planning Board is empowered hereunder to review and approve permit applications for sexually oriented businesses and impose reasonable restrictions for buffering, outdoor lighting, parking, adequate ingress and egress from the site off of and onto public roads, pedestrian movement, and to provide for appropriate landscaping and building aesthetics in the site plan review.”

On April 4, 1997 a protest petition was received by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 675:5 regarding this article and requesting that a two-thirds vote be required to enact the proposed amendment.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997
YES 2776
NO 581
ARTICLE 3 PASSED

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

DEFINITIONS: Article I Section 1.6

“Parking Lot - Excluding personal use, any commercial (for pay) off street, ground level open area used for temporary storage of motor vehicles.

Parking Area - Excluding personal use, any commercial (for pay) public or private area, under or outside of a building or structure, designed and used for parking motor vehicles including parking lots, garages, private driveways and legally designated areas of public street.”

AND

“ARTICLE III 3.26a

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	R	R	R	X”

AND

ARTICLE VI

“6.4 Parking Lots and/or Parking Areas

- 6.4.1 Parking Lots and/or Parking Area shall conform to all Zoning Regulations.
- 6.4.2 Parking lots and/or Parking Areas shall have a minimum 9’ x 18’ space for each vehicle permitted plus approved ingress and egress.
- 6.4.3 If applicable each Parking Lot and/or Parking Area shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- 6.4.4 At the entrance, each Parking Lot and/or Parking Area shall post a laminated copy of approval, arrangement and capacity for public inspection.

- 6.4.5 Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area plan, with a capacity of 25 (twenty-five) or more parking spaces, shall be presented to the Planning Board with a certified plan.
- 6.4.6 Any existing Parking Lots and/or Parking Area shall not be required to come into the Planning Board for use approval, but within 120 days of the ballot vote all existing Parking Lots and/or Parking Areas shall be required to petition the Planning Board for approval of arrangement and capacity limitations.
- 6.4.7 PENALTY
Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area in violation of the number of approved vehicles or the arrangement is subject to a penalty.
- 6.4.7.a Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area in violation of Article 6.4.2, 6.4.4 and 6.4.6 shall be penalized \$25.00 per day per violation.
- 6.4.7.b Any Parking Lot and/or Parking Area having more than two (2) violations in any 6 month period (of 6.4.2, 6.4.4 and 6.4.6) shall be issued a Cease and Desist Order.”

RESULTS OF THE BALLOTING APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2128

NO 850

ARTICLE 4 PASSED

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article I Section 1.6 DEFINITION

“Dealer - A person who offers, onsite for sale or trade, 3 or more new or used registered or unregistered motor vehicles, off highway recreational vehicle (OHRV), utility vehicles, trailers, recreational vehicle (RV’s), boats, or construction equipment for wholesale or retail sales shall be considered a dealer and subject to Site Plan Review Regulations.”

AND

“Article XIII Motor Vehicle Sales Zoning Requirements

State of New Hampshire Dealer’s License requirements may be imposed on the Dealer.

All dealerships shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Each lot shall be approved for only one (1) dealer.
2. Each dealer shall have a minimum one half acre (21,780 square feet) lot.
3. Each dealer shall have one structure that shall have a minimum of 1,200 square feet and must conform to all current zoning regulations.
4. Each dealer shall conform to a minimum side lot and back lot landscaped buffer strip.
5. No dealer shall be permitted from the south side of Rice Terrace South to the north side of Park Ave. on either side of Route 1 (Lafayette Road)."

AND

Article III

"Section 3.43 - Dealer

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X"

RESULTS OF BALLOTING APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2633

NO 513

ARTICLE 5 PASSED

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to Article 1.6 Definitions:

"Garage: A structure, attached or detached, one story in construction used solely for the purpose of housing automobiles and/or yard equipment and the storage of household items.

Expanded Garage: A structure, attached or detached, more than one story in construction used for the purpose of housing automobiles, yard equipment, and/or the storage of household items, above which is contained habitable or potentially habitable space.

Footprint: The area on the ground encompassed by the outer most perimeter of a structure inclusive of the drip edge, decks, stairways, chimneys, HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning) equipment and any other appurtenance attached to the structure. See Article 4.5 and Footnote (25)."

AND

Amend Article IV 4.5 to read: "Minimum Setbacks (12, 13 and 25)".

AND

Amend Article IV to add Footnote (25) to read: "(25) In order to correctly determine structure placement for set back requirements."

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2156

NO 792

ARTICLE 6 PASSED

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. Number Growth Management Ordinance, in the Zoning Ordinance, as
"Article 10.6"
2. In the first paragraph add a "s" to resident.
3. In numbered paragraph 3 of the section entitled Purpose, substitute the word "context" for the word contact so that it reads: "...within the context of the Town of Hampton Subdivision Regulations..."
4. In the section entitled Enactment, add the following new second paragraph:
"The construction of a single family house upon an existing lot of record without an accompanying subdivision of the property is specifically excluded from the provisions of this regulation."
5. At the end of the fourth paragraph of the section entitled Applications, add the following sentence:
"When calculating the number of building permits under this provision, fractional results greater than one half shall be rounded to the next higher whole number."

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2338

NO 659

ARTICLE 7 PASSED

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

"Section 3.39.1 - Tower-antennas no higher than 65 feet used exclusively for Amateur Radio purposes.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P"

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997
YES 2469
NO 603
ARTICLE 8 PASSED

ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

“Article 1.4.2.1 Grant equitable waivers of dimensional requirements when the proof or provisions of RSA 674:33-a are met upon the discovery that a lot or other division of land, or structure thereupon, is in violation of a physical layout or dimensional requirement imposed by the Zoning Ordinance. Such waivers shall not be applicable to property use violations.”

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997
YES 2056
NO 791
ARTICLE 9 PASSED

ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

“Article 10.1.1.1

- 1) Before a building permit is issued for a new dwelling unit the Town’s street number shall be clearly displayed. (2) An approved commercial chemical toilet shall be in place. Where there are several building lots in close proximity, an approved commercial chemical toilet may be shared jointly. (3) Front corner boundaries markers must be in and clearly identified.”

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997
YES 2643
NO 616
ARTICLE 10 PASSED

ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article IV

“4.8.a Maximum amount of sealed surface allowed per residential lot in the Aquifer Protection Zone.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	G	I
25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%

4.8.b Maximum amount of sealed surface allowed per non-residential lot in the Aquifer Protection Zone.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	G	I
60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%	60%

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2083

NO 804

ARTICLE 11 PASSED

ARTICLE 12

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

ARTICLE XII - CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY

12.1 New Construction: All Residential and Commercial units will require a Certificate of Occupancy to be issued by the Building Department prior to any person occupying a new structure.

12.1.1 Existing Units: No home, apartment, tenement, dwelling unit, hotel/motel unit, or other residential premises shall be let, rented, leased, or otherwise occupied for residential purposes, unless a Certificate of Occupancy per 12.1.2 has been issued by the Hampton Building Department to the owner of record of that property. All residential units without a year-round Certificate of Occupancy may be used on a year round basis only by the owner of record or his/her immediate family. (Amended 1995)

12.1.2 Certificate of Occupancy, Year Round or Seasonal: The Certificate of Occupancy will be designated "Year Round" or "Seasonal". All residential units leased between the dates of October 15 and May 1 will be designated "Year Round" and subject to all requirements of The State of New Hampshire Energy Code. All structures leased only between the dates of May 1 to October 15 will be designated "Seasonal" and not subject to the New Hampshire Energy Code.

12.2 Criteria: In considering and approving such applications, the primary concern of the Building Inspector is to preserve the public health,

safety and welfare of owner and occupant. To this end, the approval of any application shall include appropriate conditions and safeguards with regard to the following:

- 12.2.1 Adequate construction to provide a safe structure and protection from the elements.
- 12.2.2 Adequate habitable living area to meet minimum Housing Standards.
- 12.2.3 Safe and adequate ingress and egress.
- 12.2.4 Proper installation and operation of the heating, plumbing, mechanical and electrical systems in accordance with the New Hampshire Energy Code and Town adopted BOCA Building Code per Article XI.

- 12.3 Application: The owner of record of a property may request a Certificate of Year Round Occupancy by filing an application provided by the Building Inspector.

After an on-site inspection, to insure that the premises conform to the required standards, the Certificate will be issued. This Certificate will have a life of ten years. To continue year-round occupancy for a subsequent ten-year term, a new inspection must be performed and a new Certificate issued. Certificates of Year Round Occupancy in force on the date of enactment of this ordinance will expire ten years from the date the Certificate was issued. In order to continue year-round occupancy, an inspection must be performed and a new Certificate issued. (Amended 1994)

- 12.4 Revocation: The Building Inspector may revoke any Certificate of Occupancy should the premises no longer conform to the requirements of the Ordinance, or to any State or Town health regulation. The notice of revocation must be mailed to the owner of record of the property by Certified Mail and posted at the front entrance of the premises. When the violation is abated the Certificate will be reissued, to expire on its original expiration date. (Amended 1993)

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2557

NO 829

ARTICLE 12 PASSED

ARTICLE 13

On petition of 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton to see if the Town is in favor of the adoption of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance that expands by a total of two months (October 1st to June 15th instead of the

present October 15th to May 1st) the period of the year that requires a building and life-safety Certificate of Year-Round Occupancy for rental of residential premises; that amends other sections of the Ordinance to reflect the new inclusion dates; and that defines "immediate family" for the purposes of this section, so that Article XII, CERTIFICATES OF YEAR-ROUND OCCUPANCY, Section 1 will read as follows:

"Article 12.1 Occupancy Permits for Existing Units - No home, apartment, tenement, dwelling unit, hotel/motel unit, or other residential premises shall be let, rented, leased, or otherwise be permitted to be occupied for residential purposes between the period October 1st of any year to June 15th of the following year, unless a Certificate of year-round Occupancy has been issued by the Building Inspector to the owner of record of that property. All residential units without a year-round Certificate of Occupancy may be used on a year-round basis only by the owner of record or by the owner's immediate family, to include parents, children and/or siblings."
(Not recommended by the Planning Board)

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997
YES 1728
NO 1647
ARTICLE 13 PASSED

ARTICLE 14
NOW COME the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Hampton and petition the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to NH RSA 675:4, to submit the following amendment to the Town of Hampton Zoning Ordinance to the voters at the 1997 Town Meeting:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance to add Section 3:43 as follows:

"3.4.4 Elderly Housing, including, but not limited to, state or federally subsidized or encouraged projects providing residential living facilities and/or congregate care, with accessory nursing or intermediate care facilities, limited to occupancy by persons fifty-five (55) years of age or older.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	R	R	X	X	X	*	R

*By conditional use permit issued by the Town of Hampton Planning Board after a finding that the elderly housing use is: a) suited for the proposed site; and b) will not be detrimental to the use for industrial purposes of abutting property in the I zone.

And To amend Article IV, Dimensional Requirements, to provide as follows regarding Elderly Housing as described in Section 3.4.4:

The minimal dimensional requirements for elderly housing projects shall be those required in the zone where the project is located; provided, however, that there shall be no maximum number of dwelling units per structure and the minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall be 1500 sq. ft."

The undersigned further grant authority to Francis X. McNeil, as lead petitioner, to act on their behalf to withdraw this Petition at any time prior to the printing of the official ballot if the Town of Hampton Planning Board acts to sponsor this amendment or one which in the sole judgment of the lead petitioner meets the objective of this amendment. (Not recommended by the Planning Board)

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1041

NO 2210

ARTICLE 14 FAILED

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$977,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, permit applications, land acquisitions, and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage facilities recommended in the Town's 201 Facilities Planning Study for the upgrade of the wastewater treatment plant, requirements which are contained in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), and will qualify the Town for Federal and State Funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds and Notes not to exceed \$977,000 under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of Hampton; additionally to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose, and to allow the selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal and State governments and pass any vote relating thereto. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be returned to the General Fund. (2/3 vote required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved to open the article for discussion. Seconded by Michael Plouffe. It was further moved and seconded to allow non-residents to speak if required. So voted.

Frank Underwood of Underwood Engineers spoke on the additional federal requirements and the need for municipalities to comply. He further explained that the funds would be raised through a revolving loan fund and the town would borrow only that amount that was actually spent.

There was no further discussion or amendments and the article would appear on the Official Ballot as read.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2136

NO 1156

ARTICLE 15 FAILED TO GET THE REQUIRED 2/3 VOTE.

ARTICLE 16

On petition of Jason Page and at least twenty-five registered voters of the Town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, permit applications, land acquisitions, and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage facilities recommended in the Town's 201 Facilities Plan for the Drakeside Road Area Sewers, requirements which are contained in the Federal Area Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), and will qualify the Town for Federal and State Funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds and Notes not to exceed \$750,000 under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of Hampton; additionally to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose, and to allow the selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal and State governments and pass any vote relating thereto. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be returned to the General Fund. The Tax Rate Impact would be .047 dollars per thousand of valuation. (Petitioned Article) (2/3 vote required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by the petitioner Jason Page.

Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Moderator Walker read a statement from Wallace A. Shaw, Jr., owner and operator of Tidewater Campground, located in the Drakeside Road area. The letter stressed the need for sewer service.

Mary-Louise Woolsey offered an amendment to add \$250,000 to make the total amount \$1,000,000. That amount would increase the Tax Rate Impact to .065 dollars per thousand of valuation. Seconded by Jason Page. Discussion followed and after hearing those who wished to speak it was moved and seconded to vote on the amendment. That motion passed.

The Woolsey amendment passed on a hand vote. The Moderator announced the amount of article 16 is now \$1,000,000. Edward Buck moved to end debate on the article. Seconded by Jason Page. It was voted to place Article 16 on the ballot as amended.

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved with a second by Jason Page to Restrict Reconsideration on Articles 2, 15, and 16. The motion passed. Moderator Walker declared the articles restricted for further consideration.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1620

NO 1694

ARTICLE 16 FAILED TO GET THE REQUIRED 2/3 VOTE.

At this time Selectman Mary-Louise Woolsey, acting on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, presented a plaque to Arthur Moody, in recognition of his service to the Town as selectman from 1991 to 1997. She stated he has been a mainstay of this community not only as Selectman but in the other capacities that he has served the town. The board has relied on his historic perspective, his judgment and his participation and they are most grateful.

Moderator Walker also wished to recognize those who retired from the town during the past year they are: Jack Furbush, General Foreman, Department of Public Works, 36 years of service. Daniel Batchelder, Foreman, Department of Public Works, 28 years of service. Thomas Lyons, Captain, Hampton Police Department, 26 years of service. Thomas Cots, Firefighter, Hampton Fire Department, 22 years of service. Howard Himmelreich, Fire Lieutenant, Hampton Fire Department, 21 years of service. Rita Richard, Building Inspector's Secretary, 15 years of service.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount up to \$185,000 to be used to exercise an existing purchase option to acquire 19 +/-

acres of land located to the North of White's Lane and to the East of Mill Road, shown on Hampton Tax Map 0092, Lot 0001. The intent is to use this land for conservation and passive recreation (non-motorized) purposes. Such sum to be raised by the issuance of bonds or notes for a three year period under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended). with the details of the issuance, including interest rate, to be left up to the Board of Selectmen in the best interest of the Town. (2/3 vote required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Arthur Moody. Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

A motion by Carolyn Payzant to increase the amount to purchase an additional acre was ruled out of order and a suggestion was made to include that motion as part of the operating budget.

After all comments were heard from the assembly, Moderator Walker stated the question would appear on the ballot as presented.

John Skumin moved with a second by Mary-Louise Woolsey to restrict reconsideration on Article 17. So voted.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2196

NO 1169

ARTICLE 17 FAILED TO GET THE REQUIRED 2/3 VOTE.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$245,000 to reconstruct Highland Avenue by excavating the existing hot-topped roadway, both sidewalks and existing drainage, and rebuild same, taking such land by eminent domain as is necessary, for the approximate 1/4 mile long road that runs from Ocean Boulevard westerly to Brown Avenue, such sum to be raised by the issuance of five-year Serial Bonds or Notes in compliance with the procedures of the Municipal Finance Act and with the details of the issuance being left to the discretion of the Selectmen. (2/3 vote required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Brian Warburton. Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

An explanation of the article was given by Public Works Director, John Hangen. Highland Avenue resident Richard Reniere commented on the traffic and conditions on the street and urged passage of the article. After additional comments were heard and questions answered it was moved, seconded and

voted on to end discussion.

The Moderator stated the article would appear on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1247

NO 2041

ARTICLE 18 FAILED.

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling \$14,577,891? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$14,675,853, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Hampton or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by John Payzant. Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Mr. Payzant thanked the other members of the Budget Committee, the town manager, department heads and selectmen for the input given in formulating this years' budget. He listed the adjustments that were made as a result of the budget hearing: an addition of \$20,449 for a 2.5% salary increase for non-union personnel; \$10,000 requested by the Planning Board for legal and technical assistance in the study and implementation of impact fee, and \$500 for the Seacoast Shipyard Fund. He further detailed some of the larger items as an explanation to those who were not able to attend the public hearing.

Kenneth Malcolm offered the following amendment "I move to increase highways and streets line in the amount of \$45,000 for the correction and repair of the Bourn Ave drainage and street repair. The collection of storm water has caused serious damage to the street surface."

Seconded by Jane Kelley.

The motion failed on a hand count Yes 59 to No 64.

Carolyn Payzant moved the following "Amend to increase line 4611-4612 by \$200,000 for the purchase of conservation land, as it becomes available, in Whites Lane and Twelve Shares Area. The plan is to designate this area as town forest and conservation. I would like a commitment of the selectmen who will be sitting and running for the Board of Selectmen as to 'the money increased by this amendment be spent as directed by this amendment' "

Seconded by Edward Buck.

The Payzant Amendment failed.

Keith Lessard moved to end discussion on Article 19 and put the question on the ballot.

Seconded by Danny Kenny. So voted.

In response to a query by Bonnie Searle regarding the default budget, it was noted that the default budget had been amended by the selectmen in response to input at a selectman's meeting. The default budget as adjusted is \$14,291,453.

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 18, and 19. Seconded by John Skumin. It was voted to restrict reconsideration.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1692

NO 1482

ARTICLE 19 PASSED

ARTICLE 20

On petition of Angelo Zappala, and at least 25 legal voters to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 for the purpose of constructing a seawall that will stabilize an existing shoreline in the Town along the south side of the Hampton Harbor Inlet.

Moved by Marie Zappala-Stewart. Seconded by Sharleene Hurst.

Ms. Zappala requested that an engineer be allowed to speak in behalf of the article. He explained the reason a seawall was needed at that area.

Marie Zappala-Stewart moved to insert the following after \$125,000, "in the event that Senate Bill No. 158 does not pass."

Seconded by Sharleene Hurst. The amendment failed.

After much discussion on this article Robert Lessard, feeling that the State of New Hampshire would be less inclined to repair the area if the Town of Hampton had raised the money, moved to amend Article 20 to reduce the amount to \$1.00. Seconded by Jason Page.

The Lessard Amendment passed.

Arthur Moody moved to further reduce the funding to 0. Seconded by William Hoag.

The Moody Amendment passed.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1406

NO 1724

ARTICLE 20 FAILED

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$122,000 for the purchase of one ambulance. Such sum to be financed through the issuance of a bond or note for a period of three years under and in compliance with provision of the Municipal Finance Act (NH AS 33:1 et seq. as amended). The two ambulances replaced in 1996 and 1997 will be sold or traded. (2/3 vote required)

Moved by Arthur Moody. Seconded by Robert Lessard.

The Moderator explained that this article was not legally posted and as such the amount raised could not exceed \$99,000.

Mr. Moody moved to amend Article 21 to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise up to \$99,000 and appropriate the sum of \$122,000 for the purchase of one ambulance. The amount to be raised to be financed through the issuance of a bond or note for a period of three years. The balance to be withdrawn from the fire apparatus capital reserve fund at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen. The two ambulances replaced in 1996 and 1997 will be sold or traded. Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

The Moody amendment passed.

William Sullivan, Hampton Fire Chief addressed the article.

Mr. Lessard moved, seconded by Mrs. Woolsey to put this question on the ballot as amended. So voted.

Carolyn Payzant moved to restrict reconsideration of Articles 20, and 21. Seconded by Mrs. Woolsey. The motion passed, and those articles were declared restricted for reconsideration.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2129

NO 1160

ARTICLE 21 FAILED TO GET THE REQUIRED 2/3 VOTE

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate forty-eight thousand nine hundred and twenty five dollars (\$48,925) for the purpose of taking aerial photographs, adding buildings, and linking to digital database. In addition, topography and various overlay themes will be added. This is the second installment of a four year GIS (Geographical Information Systems) program totaling approximately \$125,000. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Virginia Bridle. Seconded by Brian Warburton.

An explanation was given and after no further questions were forthcoming Moderator Walker declared that Article 22 would be on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1261

NO 1943

ARTICLE 22 FAILED

ARTICLE 23

On petition of the Lane Memorial Library Board of Trustees and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,487 to continue the position of Reference/Internet Librarian at the Lane Memorial Library, begun by a vote of 1996 Town Meeting. Although the position was explained and approved at 1996 Town Meeting to be a permanent, full-time position, a clarification was requested by this year's Budget Committee. This position, which pays \$35,000 and benefits, is a 40 hour a week technologically skilled, professional, permanent position.

Explanation: The Library has been attempting to add a full-time professional reference librarian since 1985. After several years of cutting it from the budget, the Budget Committee told us to put the position in a warrant article. We did so last year. (Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Gerald McConnell. Seconded by Clifton Pratt.

Mr. McConnell explained that some confusion occurred last year regarding the reference/internet librarian. Funding was thought to be for one year only. This was not the case and this article would correct last year's oversight.

William Hoag moved to amend Article 23 by adding "if this article is defeated, the Internet will still be available in the library."

Seconded by Robert Wallace.

The Hoag Amendment failed.

Clifton Pratt moved to place Article 23 on ballot as written. Seconded by Lee Hurst. Approved.

John Skumin moved and Jane Kelley seconded to restrict reconsideration of Article 23. So voted.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1956

NO 1355

ARTICLE 23 PASSED.

ARTICLE 24

To raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,402.00 for one concession stand/bathroom facility located at the Landfill. These prices will include excavation, concrete walls, water source, building materials, steel doors, plumbing, electrical, inside concession equipment, labor and security. It also will include sewer in some form per instruction from the Selectmen. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Brian Warburton.
Seconded by Virginia Bridle.

Brian Warburton moved to decrease the amount of Article 24 to \$0.
Seconded by Arthur Moody.

The reason for the reduction is due to the uncertainty of the actual funds required at this time. It would be better to wait until all questions regarding the area are answered.

The Warburton Amendment passed.
Article 24 will go on the ballot as amended.
A motion to restrict reconsideration on Article 24 was offered by Brian Warburton and seconded by Arthur Moody. The motion passed and Article 24 was restricted.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1692

NO 1479

ARTICLE 24 PASSED

ARTICLE 25

To raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,462.00 for one concession stand/bathroom facility located at Eaton Park. These prices will include excavation, concrete walls, water source, sewer connection, building materials, steel doors, plumbing, electrical, inside concession equipment, labor and security. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Brian Warburton. Seconded by Michael Plouffe.

Dyana Lassonde, Recreation Director spoke on the article, stressing the need to update current facilities.

There was no further discussion and Article 25 will be on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1854

NO 1431

ARTICLE 25 PASSED

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,556 to fund the cost items relating to the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 633 salaries and benefits for 1997, such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement dated February, 1997 between the Town of Hampton by its Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local #633 (Clerical/Police Dispatchers/P.W. Foremen) pursuant to N.H. RSA 273-A. 1998: \$4,923 over the amount for 1997. (Recommended by the Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey. Seconded by Michael Plouffe.

The article was explained by the Moderator and noting no further questions Robert Lessard moved to end discussion. Seconded by Sharleene Hurst. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 25 and 26 Seconded by Robert Lessard. So Voted.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1346

NO 1873

ARTICLE 26 FAILED

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacing, upgrading, and modifying our existing computer system and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in this fund. Upon passage of this article an MIS (Management Information Systems) committee will be set up to recommend future withdrawals from this fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Brian Warburton. Seconded by Virginia Bridle.

John Adams, Hampton Finance Director addressed the article. and explained when he felt the modifications would be needed.

Comments were heard and when no one else wished to speak the Moderator stated that Article 27 would appear on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF THE BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1814

NO 1386

ARTICLE 27 PASSED

ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$22,000 for the purpose of purchasing an inflatable water rescue craft and accessories for the fire department, the sum of which may be reduced by private donations. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Seconded by Virginia Bridle.

Hampton Fire Chief William Sullivan explained the reason behind this article and that donations had been received by the public and moved to amend the amount of money down to \$12,000.

Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

The Sullivan Amendment passed.

Many residents spoke on the need for a water rescue craft. Jason Page moved to end discussion on the amendment. Second by William Bowley. The motion to end discussion passed by the required 2/3 vote. The amendment passed. The Moderator stated the article would appear on the ballot as amended.

Mary-Louise Woolsey moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 27 and 28

Seconded by Arthur Moody. It was voted to restrict reconsideration.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2354

NO 952

ARTICLE 28 PASSED

ARTICLE 29

On petition of Ann W. Kaiser and others, to see if the Town will vote to implement a pay-as-you-throw system of trash disposal, which would defray some of the expense of rubbish hauling. This would require residential properties and businesses that do not already pay for trash removal through the use of private haulers to purchase special trash bags in which to place their ordinary trash, and tags for larger, but still legal trash. Exempted from this pay-as-you-use would be the annual leaf pick-up, Christmas tree pick-up, and spring clean-up. For the start-up of this program, we request the Town to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000. Rules governing these pick-ups, and for the pay-as you-throw system, will be devised by a five-member committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen . If approved, this system would start no later than January 1, 1998. (On petition)

Justification:

- Rubbish disposal gets costlier every year.
- Everyone who pays property taxes is already paying for recycling, whether or not they recycle. The only cost which can be reduced is the cost of hauling/tipping.
- Some people & businesses are paying twice now: through both taxes and the use of private haulers.
- The town is revising its recycling ordinance and is considering mandatory recycling.
- Pay-as-you-use is a way of encouraging recycling without the negative aspects of mandatory recycling, such as enforcement and fines.

Moved by Ann Kaiser.

Seconded by Francis McNeil.

Ann Kaiser addressed the article and the need for recycling and additional views were expressed by the assembly.

Brian Lacey offered an amendment to reduce the amount to \$0 and set up a committee to establish rules for the system.

Seconded by Fred Rice.

The amendment is as follows:

“To see if the Town will vote to devise a pay as you throw system of trash disposal. This would require residential properties and businesses that do not already pay for trash removal through the use of private haulers to purchase special trash bags in which to place their ordinary trash, and tags for larger but still legal trash. Exemptions from this pay as you throw system would be the annual Christmas tree pick up and spring clean up. For start up of this program we request the town to raise and appropriate the sum of \$0. Rules governing these pick-ups and for the pay as you throw system will be devised by a five member committee approved by the Board of Selectmen. The rules and details of such a system will be drafted into a 1998 ballot article by the Board of Selectmen for approval and or alteration by the voters of Hampton per RSA 40:13 prior to any implementation.

After additional comments were heard David Lang moved to end discussion on the amendment.

Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey. The motion passed by the required vote.

The Lacey Amendment passed.

Further opinions were offered on the article and Russell Bridle moved, seconded by Kenneth Malcolm to end discussion. This motion received a 2/3 vote and the Moderator declared that Article 29 would appear on the ballot as amended.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1009

NO 2335

ARTICLE 29 FAILED

ARTICLE 30

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of conducting a space needs assessment and subsequent design of an addition to Fire Station Two. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Seconded by Michael Plouffe.

Chief Sullivan gave an explanation of the article and the necessity of providing adequate storage space for fire apparatus.

Robert Cushing moved to put this article on the ballot as written. Seconded by Jason Page. So voted

A motion to restrict reconsideration of Articles 29 and 30 was made by John Payzant and seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

The motion passed and Articles 29 and 30 were declared restricted by the Moderator.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1411

NO 1832

ARTICLE 30 FAILED

ARTICLE 31

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate-only the sum of \$16,700 to be deposited in the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund, the interest from which will be withdrawn annually and deposited into the Town's General Fund as an offset to the amount appropriated for the maintenance of the cemeteries. This appropriation will not affect the 1997 Town Tax Rate.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Danny Kenney. Seconded by Maureen Shaw.

Article 31 to go on ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2179

NO 1062

ARTICLE 31 PASSED

ARTICLE 32

On petition of Vivianne Marcotte and the Conservation Commission and 25 or more registered voters of the town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to raise \$15,000 and appropriate \$30,000 to carry out the culvert replacement and salt marsh restoration work at the end of Landing Road in the marsh along Route 101. The New Hampshire Fish and Game, Ducks Unlimited,

the Gulf of Maine Council and Michael Morrison of Mosquito Control Management services will contribute \$15,000 matching grant monies for a total of \$30,000 restoration project. The Town's Department of Public Works labor and the donation of the use of a specialized marsh vehicle needed to accomplish this restoration will be used to offset the Town's \$15,000 appropriation. To this extent, the difference will be returned to the general fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)
Moved by Vivianne Marcotte. Seconded by John Skumin.

With approval from the assembly, Michael Morrison of Mosquito Control Management services addressed the article. The Moderator declared that the article would go on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2257

NO 1077

ARTICLE 32 PASSED

ARTICLE 33

To see if the Town will appropriate only \$45,000 or 20% of the gross lease and rental from the town's parking areas located within the Hampton Village District for the purpose of preparing a master plan for infrastructure repairs (\$5000), install donated basketball hoops (\$2,000) and to install drainage, granite curbing and sidewalks on Church Street. (\$38,000). This appropriation will not effect the 1997 Town Tax Rate. (By Petition) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Jason Page. Seconded by Virginia Bridle.

After some discussion it was moved by David Lang with a second by Jason Page and voted to place this article on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1854

NO 1453

ARTICLE 33 PASSED

ARTICLE 34

On petition of Ellen M. Lavin and 30 other registered voters of the Town of Hampton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000) for the salary of the Town Treasurer of the Town of Hampton. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Brian Warburton.

Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

David Lang moved to amend the article to increase her salary by \$2000 to \$16,000. Seconded by Matthew Shaw.
The Lang Amendment passed.

There was no further discussion and the Moderator declared the Article would go on the ballot as amended.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1603

NO 1694

ARTICLE 34 FAILED

ARTICLE 35

On petition of the Lane Memorial Library Board of Trustees and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to purchase computer equipment for the Lane Memorial Library to upgrade and supplement the Library's existing network of computers, and to provide additional public access workstations that provide users with free access to a wide variety of software and to the Internet. (Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Gerald McConnell.

Seconded by Danny Kenney.

Judith Beaulieu moved to amend the sum down to \$0.

Seconded by Joyce Sheehan.

The Beaulieu Amendment failed.

Robert Lessard moved to put the article on the ballot as written.

Seconded by Sharleene Hurst. So voted.

Carolyn Payzant moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 31 through 35

Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

The motion passed and the articles were declared restricted.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2100

NO 1297

ARTICLE 35 PASSED.

ARTICLE 36

On petition of Richard Gibbons, 102 Mace Road, Hampton, NH and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: to see if the Town will vote to support the Hampton Christmas Parade and related activities and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand, Five Hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) to

help defray the expense of the 1997 events. Said funds to be paid to the Hampton Beach Area Chamber of Commerce. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by Virginia Bridle. Seconded by Brian Warburton.

There was no discussion and Brian Lacey moved to put Article 36 on the ballot as written. Seconded by Kenneth Malcom. So Voted.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2267

NO 1118

ARTICLE 36 PASSED

ARTICLE 37

Petition to place the following question on the Official Ballot for Town Meeting 1997, the wording of such question being dictated by RSA 289:6-II. "Shall we discontinue the Board of Cemetery Trustees by delegating their duties and responsibilities to the Town Manager?" (By Petition)

Atty. McEachern stated that this article has been drafted according to statutory requirements and that no amendments are allowed. This article will go on the ballot as required.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1540

NO 1717

ARTICLE 37 FAILED

ARTICLE 38

Are you in favor of revoking the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund of approximately \$162,000 to benefit the property tax rate in 1997?

Moved by Arthur Moody.

Seconded by Matthew Shaw.

Arthur Moody explained the change in the law governing trust funds that allows the town to withdraw principal in town created funds. Danny Kenney spoke against revoking the fund.

Brian Lacey moved to amend Article 38 to read as follows " Shall the Trustees of the Trust Funds retain those amounts deposited in the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund, allowing only, as an offset to the annual amount appropriated for the maintenance of cemeteries, the withdrawal of interest in an amount not to exceed that amount appropriated for the cost of cemetery maintenance?"

Seconded by David Lang.

The Lacey Amendment passed.

Article 38 to go on the ballot as amended.

RESULTS OF THE BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2212

NO 873

ARTICLE 38 PASSED

ARTICLE 39

Are you in favor of rescinding membership in the RSA 149-M solid-waste planning district that was set up in 1987 (Article 36) to draft an agreement establishing an RSA 53-B solid-waste operating district, which has been accomplished with the town's membership therein being voted in 1988 (Article 17)?

Moved by Arthur Moody. Seconded by Michael Plouffe. Mr. Moody addressed the article.

Robert Lessard moved to put the article on the ballot as written. Seconded by William Bowley.

Moderator Walker declared Article 39 would appear on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1933

NO 903

ARTICLE 39 PASSED

ARTICLE 40

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 16 of the Hampton Town Ordinance Tattooing, Branding and Body Piercing by adding Sec. 16:204 Definition "Body Piercing" means the act of penetrating the skin, excluding the lobes and outer perimeter of the ear, to make, generally permanent in nature, a hole, mark or scar.

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey. Seconded by Michael Plouffe.

There was no discussion and the Moderator stated that Article 40 would appear on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2465

NO 802

ARTICLE 40 PASSED

ARTICLE 41

To see if the Town will allow the Selectmen to permit the design and construction of a small gazebo in Marelli Park, the total cost to be defrayed by private contributions. No trees are to be removed.

Moved by Virginia Bridle. Seconded by Michael Plouffe.

An amendment was offered by Judith Dubois to add to the end of the article the words "unless recommended by the Shade Tree Commission."

Seconded by Robert Lessard.

The Dubois Amendment passed.

The Moderator declared that Article 41 would appear on the ballot as amended.

Brian Warburton moved to restrict reconsideration on Articles 36 through 41.

Seconded by John Payzant. So voted.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2629

NO 761

ARTICLE 41 PASSED

ARTICLE 42

To see if the Town will vote to rescind by a two-thirds vote \$200,000 of the authorization of the 1995 Annual Town Meeting (Article 13) for the Board of Selectmen to issue bonds or notes in borrowing a sum not to exceed \$4,986,000 for expenses related to the closure of the Municipal Landfill, a project that nears completion without the need of said \$200,000.00.

Moved by Brian Warburton.

Seconded by Michael Plouffe.

Mary-Louise Woolsey spoke about the methane problem that has arisen and stated that it would be premature to rescind that amount now, without knowing how much it would cost to correct it. She further moved to amend Article 42 by removing \$200,000 from the first line and replacing that figure with \$0.

Seconded by Jason Page.

The amendment passed.

After the first amendment passed it was noted that the amendment should have included a re-wording of the second part of the article to '0' also. Mrs. Woolsey restated her petition to include this and Mr. Page restated his second.

The Moderator asked for a re-vote on the amendment as corrected. The amendment passed as corrected. There was no further discussion and Article 42 will appear on the ballot as amended.

John McEachern moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 42.

Seconded by Mrs. Woolsey.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1046

NO 1983

ARTICLE 42 FAILED

ARTICLE 43

On petition of Dean Savastano and 24 or more other legal voters of the Town, to see if the Town will vote to remove two restrictions in the Town Deed dated March 10, 1986, on the lot at 735 Ocean Boulevard (Tax Map 223, Lot 076) that prohibit subdivision and the placement of more than one single-family house on the deeded premises (which extends from Ocean Boulevard to King's Highway), such vote meaning and intending to remove the above two restrictions from deed restriction paragraph number 4 only insofar as to allow said lot to be subdivided into a maximum of two single-family house lots, in conformance with both of said lot's abutters, and subject to receiving all regulatory approvals pursuant to Town Ordinances and Regulations. An affirmative vote will authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute and record notice of this action at the Rockingham Registry of Deeds. (This lot was formerly leased by the Town and the restrictions were imposed by Section 5 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held on May 11, 1982, which meeting voted to allow the selling of such leased land.) (By Petition)

Moved by Dean Savastano.
Seconded by Craig Saloman.

Mr. Savastano explained his article and Mr. Saloman gave a history of this property and why this petition is necessary. Additional comments were offered by the assembly.

Jason Page moved to end discussion.

Sharleene Hurst Seconded. There was no opposition.

The Moderator stated that Article 43 would be on the ballot as worded.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 1499

NO 1611

ARTICLE 43 FAILED

ARTICLE 44

To see if the Town will vote to abandon all right, title and interest in a certain parcel of Town property laid out as a proposed 40 foot street running northerly from the cul de sac of Tower Drive to the land now or formerly of The Wickes Corporation on a plan titled "Tower Drive, Hampton, NH Paul F. Leary, Subdivider, June 25, 1955." (Recorded October 13, 1955.) Said proposed street to be discontinued and deeded as "Lot A" to Peter J. Moulton and "Lot B" to Norman Stanwood (as shown on "Lot Line Adjustment Plan," E. J. Cote & Associates, Inc., July 1994), for the sole purpose of becoming a part of the abutting properties and not for the creation of a new building lot or lots. (By petition)

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey.
Seconded by Michael Plouffe.

There was no discussion and the Moderator stated that Article 44 would appear on the ballot as written.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2079

NO 911

ARTICLE 44 PASSED

At this time, the Moderator announced that the Winnacunnet Hockey Team was about to leave to take part in the State Championship. It is the first Winnacunnet Hockey team ever to participate. The team received thunderous applause and cheers from the assembly.

ARTICLE 45

On the petition of the Lane Memorial Library Board of Trustees and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the Library Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the Library Trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the Library Trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property.

Moved by Gerald McConnell.

Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Arthur Moody moved to amend the article by inserting after 'provided, however' the following words "that the library trustees shall hold a public hearing prior to the acceptance of any gift valued over \$5,000 and further provided".

Seconded by Bonnie Searle.

The Moody Amendment passed.

There was no further discussion and the Moderator stated that Article 45 would appear on the ballot as amended.

RESULTS OF BALLOTING ON APRIL 8, 1997

YES 2821

NO 393

ARTICLE 45 PASSED.

Moderator Walker congratulated Ann Kaiser on her retirement and her great job as Tax Collector of Hampton during her years of service. Mr. Moody also wished to recognize Jane Kelley for her service to the town as former Town Clerk.

Moderator Walker commended the Cable TV Committee for their efforts in bringing the Town Meeting to the people.

Jason Page made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Seconded by David Lang.

There was no opposition and the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 4:28PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Arleen E. Andreozzi
Town Clerk



REPORT OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I present the annual report of activity for the Fire & Rescue service for the first nine months of the year 1997 to the Board of Selectmen and the residents of Hampton.

PERSONNEL

The department remains at full strength with forty one full-time and eighteen part-time or "on call" fire personnel. All line officers and firefighters are cross-trained as emergency medical technicians or paramedics. A captain, three firefighters and a dispatcher are assigned to headquarters on Hampton Beach, while a Lieutenant and three firefighters are assigned to Station 2 on Winnacunnet Road. This staffing level gives us the capability to field two ambulances to simultaneous calls or send a strong first response crew to a fire incident. During the first nine months of this year, the department responded to 118 incidents where the entire on duty shift was committed to multiple incidents. Our average response time in Hampton is 2.96 minutes for an ambulance and 3.53 minutes for a fire engine to arrive at the scene of an emergency once we are notified.

During the year, Captain Kenneth Richardson, Lieutenant John Simard and Secretary Jean Hamilton retired with a total of more than sixty seven years of service to the department and to the town. Following these retirements, Lieutenant Guy Larivee was promoted to the rank of Fire Captain, Firefighters David Mattson and Christopher Silver were promoted to the rank of Fire Lieutenant, Firefighter Sean Gannon and Firefighter/Paramedic Matthew Cray were hired to replace the individuals promoted and Jane Plummer was hired as the Administrative Assistant. The secretary's vacancy has not been filled as of this writing.

All promotions and hiring of entry level firefighters within the department are by competitive written examination and oral interviews conducted by the New Hampshire Division of Fire Standards and Training.

EMERGENCY RESPONSES

As of the end of September, the department responded to a total of 2,131 incidents during the year including 1,105 fire calls, a total of 1,026 requests for emergency medical aid. These figures represent an increase in emergency activity of approximately 3%. The department also treated 126 walk-in medical aid cases at the beach fire station and dispatched apparatus to 613 service calls such as lock-outs, elevator rescues or fire alarm system trouble.

The department was faced with several serious fires during the first nine months of 1997. They occurred as follows:

May 24th	11 Cutler Avenue	3 alarms
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June 21st	467 Ocean Blvd.	2 alarms
August 2nd	14 G Street	3 alarms

These fires all occurred in the beach area in heavily congested neighborhoods. If not for the rapid response and aggressive firefighting on the part of the department members and the assistance from our neighboring towns, the incidents could have resulted in the loss of life and more severe property damage.

At the August 14, G Street fire, one victim was severely burned prior to jumping from a second floor motel unit and a second victim was rescued from the burning apartment by the first firefighters to arrive on the scene. The actions at this incident resulted in a unit citation being presented to the entire duty shift for their exemplary actions that Saturday morning.

The calls for emergency services are broken down as follows:

Calls within the Town of Hampton	993
Calls to assist other communities	16
Calls to Interstate 95	17
Motor Vehicle Accidents	114
Calls requiring Paramedic services	108
Transported to Exeter Hospital	468
Transported to Portsmouth Hospital	148
Transported to Anna Jacques Hospital	37
Average age of male patients transported	45
Average age of female patients transported	49

On a total of 27 occasions, Hampton responded to fire or medical aid requests in nearby communities as part of the mutual aid system. Area cities and towns fire apparatus and ambulances to Hampton 21 times.

PLANNING & TRAINING

Our staff of emergency medical technicians that have reached the intermediate level all completed a training module that now allows them to administer cardiac drugs and intubate a patient in order to establish an airway.

In March, the Fire Chief attended a ten day "Staff and Command" conference in Ocean City, Maryland sponsored by the University of Maryland.

Firefighters Bridle, Silver and True completed a three week "Officer Candidate School" held at the New Hampshire Fire Academy in Concord.

Three members, Firefighters Jon Pelletier and Tony St. Louis along with Fire Prevention Officer Steve Bancewicz attended a SCBA diving school in order to become certified divers. The department while not having an official dive team, has the members to organize one.

Flu shots have been administered by the EMT's to all town employees and their families that wished to take them. The vaccine is provided free of charge to the town by the New Hampshire Municipal Association as part of their "wellness program".

As in other years, all firefighters completed many hours of in-service training throughout the year. Subjects such as the donning and use of self-contained breathing apparatus, hose and ladder evolutions and street & hydrant locations must be on-going and repetitive in order to maintain skill levels.

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

This is one of the most important, but many times unseen duties of the department. Fire Prevention Officer Bancewicz and Inspector McDonald have had a busy season with plan reviews of such occupancies as the addition to the Marston School; the proposed addition to the Seacoast Health Center; McDonald's restaurant; the indoor soccer rink on Winnacunnet Road and the expansion at Foss Manufacturing. Once construction of any new facilities commence, visits to the property are necessary at various stages of completion.

To date, a total of eighteen fires have been investigated with 5 determined to be arson, 2 where the cause could not be determined and in 11 cases the cause was found. Fire Prevention personnel also investigate the cause of false alarms received from faulty smoke detectors or other problems that can result in the fire department being called when not needed. In the first nine months of the year, 166 permits have been issued by the Bureau of Fire Prevention for such things as blasting and the installation of oil burning equipment, automatic sprinkler systems and fire alarm systems.

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

A pre-owned aerial ladder truck was placed in service at the beach fire station by the Hampton Beach Village District, replacing two aging vehicles. A seventeen foot Zodiac "Hurricane" rescue boat was purchased and placed in service. Funded in part by a town appropriation of \$12,000 and donations from local corporations in the amount of \$16,000, this boat adds to our rescue capability along our beaches and in the harbor. A new radio repeater was installed at the Mill Road water tank, enhancing our ability to communicate with portable radios all over town and has eliminated most "dead spots" encountered previously.

I would like to finish by thanking the members of the fire & rescue division for the level of service that they continue to provide to the town and its residents and for the cooperation that we have enjoyed over the past ten years. Also, thanks to Mr. James Barrington for a progressive and peaceful year. He is the 13th Town Manager that I have worked for in 29 years and is currently tied for first place. Also to the police and public works department and town office staff, thanks once again. We are without one person at the end of this year, Deputy Chief Bernie Robertson who passed away last spring following many years of dedication to the fire service. He is certainly missed every day among our ranks.

William H. Sullivan
Chief of Department



Eleanor Dawson, Rita Graham, Brenda DeFelice adorn the Recreation Department float, while Virginia Bridle and many children enjoyed the Village Preschool float in the Christmas parade. Thank You to Selectmen Plouffe for the equipment and drivers!!

Recreation & Parks Department

The Town of Hampton Recreation & Parks Department would like to hail another fine year of fun and excitement. This year we added new programs, new employees and new facilities to the recreation department. Last year's Program Coordinator, Amy O'Shaughnessy has moved on to a Director's position in Medfield, Massachusetts. We wish all the luck to Amy in her new job. We now have Brenda DeFelice bringing up the reins. Brenda has learned quickly and blends well with the department. Also, we have a new secretary, Toni Merrill. Toni, although being new has also caught on to the ins and outs of the recreation world. If you haven't met Toni or Brenda, please stop by and visit us.

The Department has added 16 new programs which include Yoga, Ballroom Dancing, Latin Dancing, Imaginative Dance, Couples Two-Step, Archery, Skating Lessons, Magic Camp, Teen Camp, Baseball Camp, Volleyball Clinic, Senior Stretch, Senior Bingo, Field Hockey Camp, Fleece Diamond Skills and a Chorale Group. These programs were added to the below programs that we have historically offered. These include Softball Leagues, Gymnastic Lessons, Gymnastic Camp, Tuck Summer Camp, Creative Crickets, Toddler Movement, Hershey Track & Field, Red Cross Baby-sitting Courses, Aerobics, Hoop Camp, Boot Camp, Knitting, Tai-Chi, K-4 Sports, In-Line Skating Clinics, Men's Soccer League, Pick-up Volleyball, Men's Basketball, Fun Feet, Line Dancing, Senior Bowling, Senior Crafts, Tennis Lessons and Magic with Max. Also we should include our special events, the Window Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween Bash, Halloween Party, Halloween Costume Admiration, Fishing Derby, Women's & Girls In Sports Clinic, Skating Party, Summer Concert Series and all of our vacation activities and monthly trips.

The new facilities that we have added are a concession stand at Eaton Park, an In-Line hockey rink and a sand volleyball pit at Hardardt Way and a basketball court down at the Beach on Brown Avenue. If you haven't been down to Hardardt Way, adjacent to the closed landfill, take a look. In the Spring, the soccer field will be useable and don't forget to check out the skating rink this winter. Eagle Scout Eric Kulberg has added a bench for skate changing and posts all around the rink as a barrier for cars. It will be finished by winter for your skating enjoyment. If everything goes the way we have planned, we will flood the in-line rink for use by the hockey players and use the ice rink just for figure skating.

The Hampton Community Issues Coalition, headed by Abby Cooper, was instrumental in getting the basketball court to become a reality. The goal was set, Jack Ford, Winnacunnet Basketball Coach was able to find a donation of stanchions, backboards and hoops from Franklin Pierce College. The rest was finished through donations and fund-raisers sponsored by HCIC and the Beach Precinct.

Next spring, we will have the grand opening of the concession stand at Eaton Park. You will be able to use the new bathroom facility without having to run over to the Tuck building. You will also be able to grab a hot dog, soda, popcorn and other goodies while you watch one of our summer concerts or while you watch the ball games from our new picnic tables that Eagle Scout Adam Kubic is working on this Fall.

Kid's Kingdom is a huge asset to our department. Not one beautiful day went by this past summer that the kids and their parents weren't playing. I submitted the project and the leaders names to the New Hampshire Recreation & Parks Association for the Arthur Tufts Distinguished Citizen Award. This award is given to a citizen or citizens in a community that go above and beyond to help their town. Happily, I can announce that our town won the award and plaques were awarded to Ellen Galvin and Judy Ward for their determination and leadership of the project.

This department also won recognition in a few other areas this year. The parks maintenance supervisor, Al Mason won a Volunteer Recognition Award which was through the Community Issues Coalition. We nominated him for his dedication to the children of this community, which went beyond his duties of the department. The department also won a runner up award for our Women & Girls in Sports Clinic through the New Hampshire Recreation & Parks Association. The award, the Clarence B. Shelnut Award, was for excellence in programming. We are very proud of these accomplishments.

Major things happened for the Senior Citizens in town this Fall. Joan Kahl, an employee of the Lane Library came up with the idea of a temporary senior drop-in center at the library, and it was approved by the Trustees. The Seniors now have drop-in times every day, as well as daily programs such as card games, bingo, movies, senior stretch and others that our department is involved with. Special thanks go out to Mona Otis, president of the Senior Citizen's Club, for taking charge of the idea and getting the activities rolling for the seniors of this community.

The Recreation Department's major facilities are at Tuck Field, Eaton Park and Hardardt Way. We are in hopes of creating some new playing fields on the west side of town next year at the former Campbell property on Towle Farm Road. We also enjoy and appreciate the use of the Lane Memorial Library, the Village Preschool, various churches and town schools to house all of our indoor activities and programs. We would also like to thank all the people and businesses that have supported us throughout the year with donations and volunteers. Along with the above, we would like to thank the Hampton Youth Association, the PTA, the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dyana Lassonde
Director of Recreation & Parks

ASSESSOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Assessor's Office completed a total revaluation of its assessed values for the 1997 tax year. This update of values, along with our annual pick-ups, added approximately 90.5 million to the tax base. If we use the 1996 budget to calculate a new tax rate, the rate would be \$19.75 instead of \$21.37 that was used on the first half tax bill.

Since there was a decrease in the 1997 budget to be raised by taxes of \$221,144., the actual 1997 town tax rate was set at \$19.56. A decrease of approximately one percent. This is the second year in a row that we've experienced a decrease in our tax rate.

Below are some statistics that show how changes in expenditures and assessed value can effect the tax rate according to the 1997 tax rate figures:

\$118,977 in expenditure can change the rate +10¢

\$6,054,800 in assessed value can change the rate -10¢

GIS MAPPING

At the 1996 Town Meeting, the first phase of converting our tax maps to a Geographical Information System was approved. We can now print maps with lot lines, streets, dimensions, and soil conditions in various formats. In the 1998 Town Warrant, we are hoping to get the necessary funding to put buildings, zoning, and flood plain information on the maps.

LEASED LAND UPDATE

The 99 year lease with Hampton Beach Improvement Company expired on March 31, 1997. For the first time in 99 years the lots have become fully taxable. The Town began leasing to the 42 remaining HBIC 99-year lease tenants and successfully obtained an agreement with all of them to set the land rent at 2% of the previous year's assessed value, as was voted in 1996 for all new leases. There are currently 67 lots being leased by the Town.

The lots can still be purchased, by the lessee only, at 100% of market value.

You can look at the Trustees of the Trust Funds report to see the revenues from the sale of leased land.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Estey, Assessor, CAE, CNHA

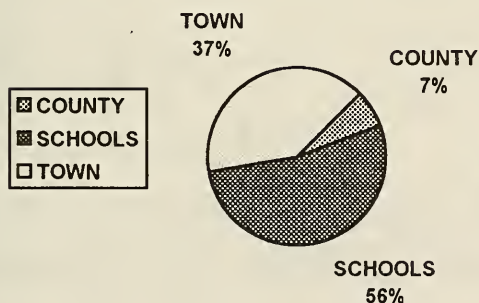
Angela L. Boucher, Deputy Assessor, CNHA

Arlene Mowry, Assessor's Assistant

TWO YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
GROSS ASSESSED VALUE:	1,102,303,400	1,192,830,800
Less Elderly/Blind:	-2,960,700	-3,065,500
NET ASSESSED VALUE:	1,099,342,700	1,189,765,300
NET PRECINCT VALUE:	222,432,000	238,387,500
Assessment Ratio	93%	96%
 TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATION:	 15,060,391	 14,805,040
TOTAL REVENUES AND CR	-5,875,117	-6,525,919
NET SCHOOL APPROPRIATION:	12,594,565	13,196,262
COUNTY TAX APPROPRIATION:	1,596,924	1,550,258
TOTAL APPROPRIATION:	23,376,763	23,025,641
 BPT REIMBURSEMENT:	 -211,142	 -209,526
WAR SERVICE CREDITS:	+127,750	+132,850
OVERLAY:	+199,582	+189,994
 PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED:	 23,365,203	 23,138,959
PRECINCT TAXES TO BE RAISED	307,457	341,388
GROSS PROPERTY TAXES:	23,672,660	23,480,347
 MUNICIPAL RATE:	 8.59	 7.29
SCHOOLS RATE:	11.34	10.98
COUNTY RATE:	1.44	1.29
 TOTAL RATE:	 21.37	 19.56
 Exempt Precinct Rate:	 21.71	 20.01
Precinct Rate:	22.92	21.18

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN



1997 TAXABLE VALUATION BREAKDOWN

DESCRIPTION		VALUE	% OF
TOTAL VALUATION		1,248,252,900	100.000%
EXEMPT PROPERTIES		55,422,100	4.440%
SCHOOLS	19,917,600		
MUNICIPAL	11,638,500		
CHURCHES	8,100,500		
OTHER	15,765,500		
TOTAL TAXABLE PROPERTY		1,192,830,800	95.56%
VALUATION EXEMPTIONS (ELDERLY, BLIND, ETC.)		3,065,500	.246%
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUATION		1,189,765,300	95.314%
DESCRIPTION	COUNT	VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY	
SINGLE FAMILY HOMES	4675±	696,626,400	58.401%
MOBILE HOMES	324±	9,580,400	0.803%
APT. HOUSES	316±	60,788,900	5.096%
RES. CONDOS	1770±	145,680,600	12.213%
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES	7085±	912,676,300	76.513%
COMMERCIAL	346±	138,668,100	11.625%
INDUSTRIAL	16±	20,857,600	1.749%
UTILITIES		87,259,900	7.315%
COMM/IND CONDOS	216±	13,401,000	1.124%
TOTAL COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES	578±	260,186,600	21.813%
TOWN LEASED LAND	65	4,425,300	.371%
VACANT LAND/CUR USE	431±	15,110,900	1.267%
MARSHLAND	213±	107,400	0.009%
LEASED PARKING SPACES		324,300	0.027%
TOTAL OTHER PROPERTIES	709±	19,967,900	1.674%
TOTAL TAXABLE PROPERTIES		1,192,830,800	100.000%

Building Inspection / Code Enforcement

1997 was a busy year for our Department, both inside and outside the office. The number of permits issued represents an increase of 10.3% over the preceeding year. The total of 1157 building permits issued generated \$106,112 in permit fees. (These numbers represent all items generated through November 30).

The building plans for three commercial construction projects were sent to BOCA Building Officials for review. They were McDonald's, Seacoast Health Center and Seacoast United Soccer. During this process, BOCA reviews the plans and acts as a third party reviewer that assures complete code compliance with all issues. This service is paid for by the applicant, but the Town's affiliation with BOCA enables us to utilize this professional service.

A total of 3,363 inspections were made relative to building, zoning, health and occupancy issues.

The following comprises a list of residential and commercial permits issued and the amount of valuation by month:

RESIDENTIAL PERMITS INCLUDED:

89 New Homes	278 Electrical	190 Plumbing	430 Miscellaneous
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COMMERCIAL PERMITS INCLUDED:

9 New Structures	59 Electrical	38 Plumbing	81 Miscellaneous
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January	150,550	July	2,721,119
February	1,622,190	August	1,306,286
March	1,164,170	September	1,487,484
April	1,823,470	October	3,905,500
May	1,783,807	November	1,441,161
June	2,575,509	December	See 1998 report

Mr. Matthew Taylor, Assistant Building Inspector resigned in September after working for this department for two years. He has been replaced by Mr. Ernest Gauthier who started November 1, 1997. Joanne Ruel, Office Assistant, has been replaced by Jeanne Bradley. Jason Page ended the year as the part-time Assistant Building Inspector, primarily concerned with inspections directly related to the Certificate of Occupancy.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald H. Graves, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement
Ernest Gauthier, Assistant Building Inspector
Jeanne Bradley, Office Assistant

PLANNING BOARD

1997 welcomed James Workman as a member of the Board. Fred Rice as the Selectmen's Representative and the return of Peter Olney as Board member. It was a devastating blow to the Board to lose the services of Steve Bird as our Rockingham Planning Commission - Circuit Rider, we wish him well in his new position. In his place, we now have the capable services of Tracy Lang. The Board works successfully because of the excellent work of Janet Perkins, our Board secretary.

It should be recognized that Peter Olney has served the Town, on the Planning Board, for fifteen years. During his tenure he has been Chairman, Vice-Chairman and has dedicated many years and hours to the Town's Master Plan. I personally would like to thank him for his perseverance.

The following is reflective of the decisions rendered for the year 1996:

SUBDIVISIONS: Four applications were approved, adding 11 lots to the tax rolls. It should be noted that most new home permits granted this year were lots of record prior to 1995. (see Building Department's report)

LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT: Seven minor lot line adjustment were approved.

SITE PLAN REVIEW: some of our most rewarding and/or controversial hearings were conducted under Site Plan review. We heard 14 applications, most notable were Seacoast United Soccer Club, Community Bank & Trust, McDonald's, Inn at Hampton and Burger King.

SPECIAL PERMITS: Eight Special Permits were granted.

USE CHANGES: Nine Use Changes were approved.

The Board wishes all approved applicants success.

The Planning Board also sponsored several sub-committees. Some of which were successful and others which were not. Three on-going committees are the Master Plan Committee, Beach Committee and Capital Improvement Plan Committee. The Elderly Housing Committee was a one-year commitment. Impact Fees ran into an insurmountable hurdle, only 5% of the Town left to develop.

The Planning Board will continue to hold its regular meetings on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month. The Board welcomes all to attend or to view its proceedings on Channel 58.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Payzant, Chairman

HAMPTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Full-Time Law Enforcement Officers 30

Part-Time Law Enforcement Officers 60

Full-Time Civilian Personnel 9

Part-Time Civilian Personnel 3

This year a new Mission and Value Statement was developed and introduced to the Hampton Police Department. These statements further emphasize our commitment to the philosophy of Community Policing and read as follows:

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Hampton Police Department is to enhance the quality of life for all persons who live, work and visit our community by:

- * fostering partnerships within our community to promote safe, secure neighborhoods;
- * maintaining order and peace, while affording dignity and respect to every person;
- * safeguarding individual rights; and,
- * preventing crime while aggressively working to solve those crimes which occur.

We strive to accomplish this mission through the delivery of quality police services; and the pursuit of excellence and dedication in the performance of those services.

VALUE STATEMENT

All employees of the Hampton Police Department will be guided by the following shared values:

A. Human Life

We value human life and dignity above all else. Therefore, we give first priority to any situation which threatens life. We utilize the proper levels of force and only when necessary. We treat all persons in a dignified and courteous manner, and exhibit understanding of ethnic and cultural diversity, both in our professional and personal endeavors. We will remain constantly aware of the need for compassion, caring, and common sense in dealing with people.

B. Integrity

We believe integrity is the basis for public trust.

Therefore, we are committed to the highest performance standards, ethical conduct, and truthfulness in all relationships. We hold ourselves accountable for our actions and take pride in a professional level of service to all.

C. Excellence

We strive for personal and professional excellence.

Therefore, we strive to do our best in all situations and to provide quality service in a courteous, efficient and accessible manner. We vigorously enforce local, state, and federal laws; and, are committed to the defense of the Constitutions of the United States and the State of New Hampshire. We promote community and employee interaction through problem solving partnerships. We empower our employees at all levels to engage in problem identification and problem solving activities. We will strive for professional performance through continual training, education, and commitment to our duties. We will not tolerate misconduct by an employee and we will treat our fellow employees and our work environment with dignity and respect.

The Department experienced another busy year with personnel changes. In March, Lieutenant George R. "Skip" Bateman retired after nearly twenty four years of exceptional service to the Department and the Town. Lieutenant Bateman began his career with the Department in June, 1973 as a Special Police Officer. He was hired as a full time patrol officer in September, 1974 and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in March, 1985. In September, 1995 he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and served in both the Operations and the Administrative Services Bureau. He was well known for his many years as a detective. All members of the Department wish to thank Lieutenant Bateman for his many years of dedicated public service and congratulate him in his retirement.

Also in March, Sergeant John D. Fincher was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Lieutenant Bateman. Sergeant Fincher began his career as a Special Police Officer in April, 1983 and was hired full time in April, 1986. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in April, 1996. Lieutenant Fincher has been assigned to the patrol division throughout his career and continues to do so in his new position. Lieutenant Fincher has been the chief firearms instructor since 1992 and also instructs officers in other critical areas.

In April, Timothy J. Hamlen was hired as a full time patrol officer to fill a vacancy also created by the retirement of Lieutenant Bateman. Officer Hamlen has served as a Special Police Officer since March, 1996.

In August, Beth T. Merola resigned her position as a police secretary to accept a job in the private sector. All members of the Department wish her well in her new position.

In October, Margaret L. Esposito was hired as a police secretary to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Merola.

In November, Barry W. Newcomb was hired as a full time patrol officer to fill an existing vacancy. Officer Newcomb has served as a Special Police Officer since March 1996.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS & INSPECTIONS UNIT

This unit has the task of investigating all complaints concerning the professionalism, integrity, and performance of any member of the Hampton Police Department. It is also responsible for providing inspections into various areas of the operation of the Department, including auditing funds received from parking ticket returns, animal control fees, gun permit fees, etc., and for inspecting evidence inventory to assure adherence to established policy and procedure. Commanded by Lt. Timothy Crotts and assisted by Lt. James Sullivan and Sgt. Joseph Galvin, this unit has investigated 125 complaints since it was formed in December 1991.

The following is a breakdown of the twenty seven internal investigations conducted this year:

Citizen Complaints Initiated	8
Department Initiated	4
Bureau Level Investigations	7
Internal Affairs Investigations	5
Internal Affairs Inquiries	3
Adjudication of Investigations:	
Sustained	0
Not Sustained	5
Unfounded	1
Exonerated	3
Ongoing Investigations	2
Dismissed	1
Final Dispositions of those sustained:	
Oral Reprimands	0
Written Reprimands	0
Corrective Counseling	0
Suspensions	0
Terminations	0

OPERATIONS BUREAU

The Patrol Division was kept busy this year answering 17,089 calls for police service which represents a 3.5% increase over last year. The officers made custodial arrests for 2,040 offenses committed and 1909 motor vehicle arrests/summons (see summaries). There was a 60% increase in the number of

motor vehicle arrests/summons over last year. This increase was partially due to our intensive traffic enforcement program and the goals set in 1997 for that program.

I am proud to report that on May 23, 1997, Officer Thomas P. Gudaitis was presented with a "Looking Beyond the Traffic Ticket" award by the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council. This award recognized officers who display high motivation in the performance of their duties, especially in the area of traffic law enforcement. Officer Gudaitis was honored at a luncheon and received the award from Mr. Maury Hannigan, retired Director of the California Highway patrol and host of the television show "Real Stories of the Highway Patrol".

The collation made up of the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department and Building Inspector; led by the Town Manager and Board of Selectmen, continues to focus on certain areas of the beach which have been trouble spots in recent years. Working closely with the Building and Fire Inspectors, several dangerous rental properties were closed down and their owners were brought to court. This cooperative effort was once again extremely successful and continues to impact the problems that had been associated with those area in the past.

The Motorcycle Unit continues to provide the quick response to any incident even when heavy traffic hinders a cruiser response. This Unit is comprised of 14 certified motorcycle operators who ride 5 Harley Davidson FLHPI motorcycles. These officers are certified through a training course designed by Harley Davidson and taught by Ptl. Steven Henderson and Ptl. Daniel Gidley. We would like to thank Manchester Harley Davidson for all their help and generous assistance this past year.

The Bicycle Unit continues to increase in popularity both among the officers and the public. People are still surprised to see Hampton Police Officers patrolling the beach area and responding to calls for service on bicycles. These programs helped officers quickly maintain control of potentially troublesome incidents and offer the beach community a constant police presence.

During the summer and busy preseason, the New Hampshire State Police continued to assign troopers to the beach area each weekend to augment our staff, and the Rockingham County Sheriff's Department provided assistance to us over the 4th of July weekend. A special note of thanks to Department of Safety Commissioner Richard Flynn, Colonel John Barthelmes and Rockingham County Sheriff J. Daniel Linehan for their continued support and cooperation.

All Police Department personnel are commended for their continued display of professionalism and dedication to the law enforcement mission in our community and praise should be bestowed upon all who participated in those efforts to help make this past summer enjoyable for those who live, work and visit in our community.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

This Division, commanded by Det. Sgt. Robert Towler and consisting of Detectives William Lally and Philip Russell experienced another busy year conducting investigations into felony complaints, drug crimes, sexual assaults, cases of a sensitive nature, and all juvenile matters. The year end report reflects 86 indictments were sought and received through the Rockingham Grand Jury. These indictments were the result of 152 investigations conducted by Detective and Patrol Divisions. The offenses are the following:

Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault	4
Felonious Sexual Assault	5
First Degree Assault	5
Second Degree Assault	14
Burglary	31
Theft	23
Robbery	7
Credit Card Fraud	1
Gambling Investigations	1
Arson	2
Receiving Stolen Property	4
Forgery	3
Issuing Bad Checks	5
Narcotic Investigations	7
Habitual Offender	4
Conduct After Accident	4
Felon in Poss. of Firearm	1
Reckless Conduct	7
Riot	3
Criminal Threatening	1
Kidnapping	1
Interference with Custody	1
Fugitive from Justice	3
Bail Jumping	1
Conspiracy Cases	1
Criminal Mischief	6
Criminal Solicitation	2
Harassment	3
Habitual Offender	3
Stalking	1
Suspicious Deaths	2

Total 152*

The Detectives experienced another busy year with responsibility over juveniles investigations. The year end report reflects:

Juvenile Matters Investigated	99*
Juvenile Court Petitions	84*
Juvenile Cases in Diversion Program	15*

CRIMELINE FOR THE HAMPTONS

CrimeLine for the Hamptons is in its fourth year helping the communities of Hampton, North Hampton and Hampton Falls fight crime. With increased recognition in the seacoast area, the number of calls received by the CrimeLine has steadily grown. The CrimeLine for the Hamptons receives its funds by citizen donations and annual fund-raisers. This past summer a celebrity softball game between local police officers and former members of the Boston Bruins and New England Patriots helped to raise those funds used to reward callers with valuable information about crimes in our communities. The CrimeLine for the Hamptons also supports our police departments with crime fighting equipment. President Jack Murphy and the Board of Directors generously donated a mountain bike to the Hampton Police Department and Police Coordinator Detective Bill Lally wish to thank all past and present members of the Board of Directors and everyone who has helped support this successful program. The CrimeLine for the Hamptons phone number is 929-1222.

MOUNTED PATROL

The Mounted Patrol Unit, supervised by Sgt. John Galvin, continues to provide a positive police presence while covering the beach during the summer months. Officers of this unit made numerous arrests of violators, especially in those areas difficult to patrol in cruisers or on foot.

D.A.R.E./COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Ptl. James Patton continued our efforts in bringing the D.A.R.E. Program into the schools. The 1993 Pontiac Bonneville was purchased from Scott Pontiac to be used by the D.A.R.E. officer is still a highly visible reminder to the community of D.A.R.E. as it proudly displays its message and logo. Ptl. Lynne Charleston recently graduated from the D.A.R.E. Instructor's School and will begin teaching the classes next year. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to this fine program and contributes to help keep Hampton youth and schools DRUG FREE.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BUREAU

The Administrative Services Bureau is commanded by Lieutenant Timothy Crotts, who is responsible for several important sections within the Police Department to include:

PROSECUTION SECTION

The Prosecution Section is responsible for prosecuting all District Court related matters, as well as, building and fire code violations, juvenile trials; maintaining and updating arrest files, warrant files, domestic violence petition files, pending civil litigation files; and performing records checks and issuing subpoenas. Sgt. Joseph Galvin, who is the supervisor and prosecutor within this section and Ptl. Alan Roach, the assistant prosecutor report the following statistics for 1997:

Total Arrests/Summonses.....	3,645*
Cases Scheduled for Trial.....	1,295*
Scheduled Trials which Resulted in Not Guilty, Nolle Prossed, or Dismissed Decision.....	40*
Scheduled Trials which Resulted in Defaults.....	97*
Town Ordinance Violations/Fines Total	\$50,022*

ANIMAL CONTROL

Peter MacKinnon, Animal Control Officer, experienced another very busy year responding to 492 animal related matters. The Feral Cat program which began in February has resulted in 128 cats captured by the Animal Control Officer and examined by the Hampton Veterinary Clinic. Of those cats captured, several were humanely euthanized due to severe injuries or illnesses and some were able to be relocated after having been spayed or neutered. ACO MacKinnon reports that 28 animals were delivered to wildlife rehabilitators. Thirteen animals were tested for rabies and three tested positive.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Communication Specialists perform an extremely important function for law enforcement and the community. Whether answering the telephone, responding to a radio transmission from an officer in a cruiser, or greeting a person entering the building, they are expected to provide the appropriate police response to any incident, calm the fears of victims while awaiting the arrival of an officer, provide instruction on life saving techniques to people in emergency situations, answer all sorts of questions both related and unrelated to law enforcement issues, perform computer functions, and still remain cheerful and stress free. A complete overhaul and upgrade of our communications systems was completed this year. These changes and upgrades will help our Department achieve a greater level of efficiency and effectiveness when communicating with our officers and our community.

SUMMARY OF STATION LOG ACTIVITIES

Traffic Stops.....	4,985
Fire Department/Ambulance Assist.....	1,094
Miscellaneous Activity.....	1,190
Noise Complaints.....	774
Alarms (Burglar/Auto).....	726
Suspicious Activity.....	963
Disorderly Conduct.....	655
Accidents.....	548
Criminal Mischief.....	280
Theft.....	430
Miscellaneous Errand.....	181
Animal Matter.....	492
Traffic Problem (Disabled).....	353

Parking Violation.....	432
Serving Legal Paper.....	471
Liquor Law Violations.....	242
Domestic Disturbance.....	355
Unwanted Person.....	220
Assist Other Police Department.....	274
Burglary.....	146
Assault.....	128
Runaway.....	108
Harassing Phone Calls.....	104
Criminal Threatening.....	55
Found/Recovered Property.....	46
Motor Vehicle Theft.....	47
Person Transport.....	262
Lockout (Motor Vehicle).....	57
Fraud/Bad Checks.....	26
Driving While Intoxicated.....	41
Protective Custody.....	36
Open Doors/Windows.....	36
Lost Property.....	24
Criminal Trespass.....	34
Indecent Exposure.....	20
Citizen Complaint.....	143
Escorts (Money).....	12
Prowler.....	12
Soliciting/Salesman Matter.....	18
Sex Offense.....	13
Drug Offenses.....	54
Obstructing Street/Sidewalk.....	25
Utility Company.....	40
Missing/Lost (Child).....	54
Missing Person (Adult).....	12
Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault.....	3
Playing in the Street.....	57
Other Criminal Offenses.....	23
Unattended Death.....	3
Attempted Suicide.....	13
Robbery.....	3
Bomb Threat.....	6
Forgery/Counterfeiting.....	3
Weapons Violations.....	3
Family/Abuse/Child Offenses.....	26
DPW Matter (Town).....	13
Wanted Person.....	25

Hospital Matter (Sick/Transport).....	1
VIN Check.....	7
Air/Pellet Gun Offense.....	3
Incorrigible Juveniles.....	16
Property Check.....	13
School Bus Violations.....	6
Truancy.....	2
Abandoned 911 calls.....	502
Follow-up Investigation.....	458
Total Station Log Activities.....	17,089*

SUMMARY of CRIMINAL ARRESTS/OFFENSES COMMITTED

Illegal Poss. Alcohol	429
Open Container.....	256
Protective Custody.....	185
Disorderly Conduct.....	241
Driving After Suspension/Revocation.....	142
Driving While Intoxicated.....	150
Simple Assault.....	94
Warrant.....	73
Possession of a Controlled Drug.....	75
Criminal Mischief.....	9
Reckless Operation.....	8
Theft.....	14
Resisting Arrest.....	10
Runaway.....	35
Disobey an Officer.....	14
Criminal Trespass.....	32
Criminal Threatening.....	5
Receiving Stolen Property.....	20
Burglary.....	8
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.....	9
False Reports to Police.....	3
Robbery.....	8
Fugitive From Justice.....	7
Second Degree Assault.....	4
Conduct After an Accident.....	20
Reckless Conduct.....	8
Violation of a Restraining Order.....	2
Riot.....	1
Habitual Offender.....	5
Possession Tobacco Products.....	14
Operating without a License.....	14
Indecent Exposure.....	2

Loitering/Prowling.....	31
Littering.....	2
Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor.....	3
False Fire Alarm	2
Sexual Assaults.....	2
Forgery.....	1
Other Offenses.....	30
Total Offenses.....	2,040*

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE ARRESTS/SUMMONS

Driving While Intoxicated.....	150*
Driving After Revocation/Suspension.....	142*
Speeding.....	383
Traffic Signs/Lights.....	68
Driving Without a License.....	62
Driving Without a M/C License.....	14
Driving a M/C Without Eye Protection.....	15
Unregistered Motor Vehicle.....	55
Uninspected Motor Vehicle.....	87
Highway Markings Violation.....	51
Misuse of Plates.....	14
Reckless Operation.....	25
Failure to Yield.....	94
Failure to Yield to Pedestrians/Crosswalk.....	38
Improper Turning.....	13
Improper Stopping/Standing/Parking.....	62
Following Too Close.....	3
Unsafe Backing.....	2
Obstruction to Driver's View.....	7
Littering	9
Child Restraints	7
Muffler/MC Noise Levels	14
Skateboards on Public Way.....	10
Noise/Town Ordinance.....	382
Miscellaneous Violations.....	202

(*Factored into Criminal Arrest Total)

Total Summary Motor Vehicle Arrests/Summons....1,909

*1997 Statistics for this report include only the months of January through November.

CONCLUSION

On behalf of the members of our Department, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to the Town Manager, James Barrington, the Board of Selectman, all Town Committees, and Town Departments for their help,

cooperation, and continued support throughout the year. We also wish to thank the business community and the people of the Town of Hampton for their continued generosity and gracious support.

Finally, I wish to thank the families of our employees for the sacrifices they make every day due to the nature of this job, and I commend all our members for their professionalism, dedication and hard work towards providing the Town of Hampton with the best law enforcement services.

Respectfully Submitted,
William L. Wrenn
Chief of Police



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

PERSONNEL:	FULL-TIME	37
	PART-TIME	16
	TOTAL	53

The Public Works Department experienced several personnel changes during 1997. Frank Swift was hired to replace Jack Furbush as Foreman in the Highway Section. Frank comes to the department with twenty years experience in the construction field. Dave Spainhower was promoted from WWTP Equipment Mechanic to Sewer and Drain Foreman, replacing Dan Batchelder. Dave has been with the department for 28 years. In January, Steve Aslin joined the staff at the wastewater treatment plant. Steve, who has a Grade IV WWTP Operator's license, relocated his family from Virginia. In November, Jason Howard was appointed as a full-time laborer on the Sewer and Drain crew. Jason worked with the Sewer & Drain crew during the spring and summer as a seasonal employee. Ryan Sharpe also came on board in November as a laborer in the Highway Section. Ryan has worked for the department for several summers on the beach crew and as a seasonal laborer. In October, Peter Tilton retired after eight years service during his second "tour of duty" with the Town. The department will miss Peter and wishes him well in retirement.

Sidewalks

The department competed the sidewalk reconstruction project on High Street installing granite curb and hot top surface from Leavitt Road to Locke Road. The sidewalk on Park Avenue in front of Tuck Field was reconstructed with granite curb and hot top surface. A new sidewalk was constructed on Landing Road. This project included construction of a large retaining wall opposite Hardardt's Way and three smaller walls along Landing Road. Various other areas were repaired with hot top overlay.

Sewers and Drains

A major drainage project completed in 1997 included Exeter Road where a total of 486' of 12" pipe and 7 catch basins were installed. The crew also installed a catch basin and 150' of 12" pipe on Drakeside Road. Remilard & Sons installed drainage on Towle Avenue. Maintenance and repair of the sewer and drain systems, through November, included installation of three (3) new sewer services and repair of eight (8) existing services. The crew cleaned twenty-five (25) miles of sewer lines with the sewer jet. We received twenty-four (24) calls for blocked sewers, one of which was the responsibility of the Town. Twelve (12) new catch basins were installed and twenty-one (21) were repaired or raised. A total of seventy-nine (79) new sewer permits were issued which required 136 inspections. In addition, 326 locations were made for contractors, utility companies, and the public.

The department purchased a new sewer rodder and a sewer/drain line inspection camera for this section. The new equipment will greatly help in keeping existing lines in optimum condition.

The two-part Sun Valley sewer construction project got underway in October. The river crossing portion of the project was completed without any difficulty and sewer line installation is progressing satisfactorily. The town expects that new sewer connections will be able to start in May, 1998.

As a result of the 100 year rain event of October, 1996, the culvert on Winnacunnet Road at Eel Creek was replaced. Amsco, Inc. as the low bidder was awarded the design/build project. Work began at the end of March and was completed in approximately 65 days. This new culvert has greatly improved the flow of water from the Mill Pond to the marsh, easing the problems of flooded conditions north of Winnacunnet Road. Eighty percent of the construction was grant eligible thanks to the N. H. Dept. of Transportation.

Snow

Mother Nature was a little gentler on us this past year in the number of storms and the amount of snowfall. Total accumulation through November was 38 inches which fell during six (6) storms. However, the department had the difficult task of plowing a late season storm on March 31st and a very early storm on November 14th. The ground was not frozen at the time of these storms therefore the resulting lawn damage was higher than normal. Damage repair, a time consuming exercise is conducted when weather conditions and staffing permit.

Treatment Plant

The wastewater treatment plant is undergoing renovations to incorporate fine bubble aeration into the processing system. The overall attempt is to increase capacity, reduce electrical usage, and improve discharge quality. The bulk of the work is expected to be finished in December of this year. The shakedown period will last through Spring and early Summer, 1998. In the years to come, the plant will need additional investment in rehabilitation since the discharge parameters are becoming more stringent, and when you are working with an older plant, new technologies and equipment have to be incorporated to meet these new requirements. Last year's losing vote for the aeration tank will have to be re-visited in the future.

From January through November the employees at the Wastewater Treatment Facility processed 715.26 million gallons of wastewater, 3.15 million gallons of which was septage; 2,995.4 tons of biosolids and grit were removed from the wastewater during that time frame and transported to BioGro, a compost facility located at Turnkey Recycling and Environmental Enterprises in Rochester, NH. Lab analysis and plant inspections are performed daily to insure compliance with our very strict EPA quality standards.

Highway Maintenance

Our road maintenance program included resurfacing Timber Swamp Road, Mooring Drive, Mary Batchelder Road, Mill Pond Lane, Fox Road and Glen Road. We also resurfaced positions of Ashworth Avenue, Glade Path, Brown Avenue and Landing Road as well as a basketball court at the beach. Portions of the following roads were repaired with shim material: High Street, Exeter Road, North Shore Road, Parr Street, Little River Road and Mill Road. Olde Road and a portion of Huckleberry Lane were newly hot topped. Pot holes were a constant problem during the wet winter and spring. Center Lines and fog lines were painted where necessary throughout town as were parking spaces, crosswalks, slow school and stop lines. Street and traffic sign replacement is always time consuming and costly. In 1997, we replaced and/or installed 333.

A significant amount of manpower and equipment use were expended during two periods in the summer to clean seaweed off of town beaches. The task was particularly difficult as we were constantly working against the tides. The good news is that we now compost seaweed that is hauled to our facility.

Solid Waste and Recycling

Through November 7,663 tons of MSW (municipal solid waste) passed through the transfer station. We also received 1462 tons of wood and 232 tons of metal at the transfer station. Curbside recycling is now seven years old in Hampton. Approximately 1,120 tons of recyclable material was removed from the waste stream during 1997. We encourage the town's people to increase their participation in recycling as it will save tax dollars.

Several additional items worth mentioning are the conversion of Hampton Beach Improvement Company property to Town property. The Public Works Department now has the responsibility for the roadways and sidewalks that were part of the HBIC. Smoke alarm systems were installed in the buildings at the Public Works compound. Leaves and yard waste, heavy items and Christmas trees were collected at scheduled times throughout the year. These collections are labor intensive but are very popular with the public.

As always, the Public Works Department will continue in its effort to provide the taxpayers of Hampton the level of services they have come to expect at the lowest possible cost. Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to the very dedicated members of the Public Works Department. They are out in all types of weather, doing the most unpleasant tasks of collecting rubbish, spreading hot top on a 90 day in August, repairing sewer and drain lines, picking up dead animals, treating wastewater, etc. They very rarely receive accolades for the excellent job they do. In this small way my sincere thanks go out to them.

Respectfully submitted,
John R. Hangen,
Public Works Director



Work is underway on the Sun Valley sewer project.



The October, 1996 Storm washed out Eel Creek, causing substantial flooding. Through the efforts of the Town, State agencies and Emmanuel Engineering, the box culvert was replaced with this pre-fabricated concrete bridge.

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

This being my first report, I would like to begin by extending my appreciation and gratitude to the taxpayers of Hampton. It is indeed a pleasure and privilege to serve you.

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful people who volunteered so generously of their time to serve the taxpayers of Hampton during the busy property tax seasons. To my wonderful volunteers, Kathy Wakeen, Joanne Morse, Gail LePere, Pat LaPierre and Pearl Curry who opened and sorted the mail, thank you for giving unselfishly of your time.

Sincerest thanks to Glenna Brown and Esther Hopkins who volunteered during crunch time when the tax office was at its busiest. What a difference your hard work and presence made to ease the tremendous workload. I am grateful to you.

My heartfelt appreciation to Sylvia Moulton, a most dedicated volunteer. Sylvia worked faithfully every day from the time tax bills were mailed. Thank you, Sylvia!

Special thanks and recognition to my Deputy, Judi Beaulieu for her hard work and dedication. Judi shared with all of us her great sense of humor that has provided us with many grand memories.

In 1997, this office collected a total of \$24,575,577.37 for property tax, land rent, land use change, yield and tax liens, and \$214,429.12 in interest on tax liens and late payments. Tax bills mailed totaled 17,065 for the two billings. Also mailed were 220 certified notices of Impending Tax Lien, 102 certified notices to mortgagees, and 76 certified notices of possible deeding.

Liens were executed and recorded against 206 properties, representing \$477,727.05 in unpaid 1996 Property Tax (2% of the Tax Warrant). Two properties were deeded to the town for non-payment of the 1994 Property Tax. By the close of 1997, this office collected 95% of the full year 1997 tax levy.

In closing, I wish a happy and healthy year to everyone. This is a great Town, because of the great people who live in it!

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Sheehan
Tax Collector



TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997

DR.	1997	1996
UNCOLLECTED TAXES,		
JANUARY 1, 1997:		
Property Taxes		\$1,442,320.69
Yield Taxes		590.09
TAXES COMMITTED in 1997:		
Property Taxes	\$23,480,947.29	
Land Use Change	6,535.00	
Yield Taxes	614.29	
Land Rent	65,101.95	
OVERPAYMENT:		
Property Taxes	202,033.26	
Interest Collected-Delinquent Tax	22,443.56	114,041.57
TOTAL DEBITS	\$23,777,675.35	\$1,556,952.35
CR.		
REMITTED TO TREASURER		
Property Taxes	\$22,361,381.23	\$ 960,217.98
Tax Converted to Lien		477,727.05
Land Use Change	6,535.00	
Yield Taxes	614.29	590.09
Land Rent	64,723.84	
Interest	22,331.63	57,332.36
Int. & Costs Converted to Lien		56,709.21
ABATEMENTS MADE:		
Property Tax	104,733.69	4,303.00
Land Rent	490.04	
Deeded to Town	40.61	72.66
UNCOLLECTED TAXES, DEC. 31, 1997		
Property Tax	1,216,825.02	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$23,777,675.35	\$1,556,952.35
*Abatement of \$490.04 was applied:		
\$378.11 to Principal & \$111.93 to Interest		

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT OF LIENS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997

DR.	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>Prior Levies</u>
Unredeemed Liens,				
January 1, 1997				
Liens Executed during		418,382.94	190,083.89	17,633.42
fiscal year	534,436.26			
Interest & Costs Collected	6,145.94	59,701.54	66,480.79	2,436.86
TOTAL DEBITS	\$540,582.20	\$478,084.48	\$256,564.68	\$20,070.28
CR.				
Remittances to Treasurer:				
Redemptions	196,203.34	262,670.94	181,116.37	7,088.03
Interest & Costs	6,145.94	59,701.54	66,480.79	2,436.86
Abatements		38.28		
Deeded to Town		145.29	111.42	
Unredeemed Liens,				
December 31, 1997				
	338,232.92	155,528.43	8,856.10	10,545.39
TOTAL CREDITS	\$540,582.20	\$478,084.48	\$256,564.68	\$20,070.28

TOWN CLERKS REPORT

Another year has flown by and this marks the end of a great three year term! 1997 was a busy year in the Town Clerk's office. It was a year of growth and change, as were all of the past three years.

In 1996 Hampton residents voted to become a "SB2 Town". This changed the way we conduct our elections. In April we were "election central" as we found ourselves with 36,000 ballots to be checked, collated and readied for distribution at the polls. Meanwhile all 36,000 were piled high in the town vaults. Thanks to Paul Lessard and his crew of ballot clerks for their assistance with this enormous responsibility.

The response to the new method of voting was fantastic and we processed almost 800 absentee ballots. In the *six days* after the town meeting on March 15, we managed to, rewrite the ballot to incorporate all the amendments that were made at the first session, arrange for the printing, proof read the ballot, receive the finished ballots, address, stuff, and stamp the envelopes and mail the absentee ballots. It was a monumental task, but all absentee voters received their ballots with time to spare. We also distributed sample ballots and assisted in summarizing the articles for viewing on Channel 58.

With elections behind us, we were able to get back to a more normal pace. The new dog licensing regulations were in full swing and while we still have some unlicensed dogs in town more than 1100 animals are sporting Hampton tags. The new 1998 tags are due by May 1 and are available now. It is not necessary to renew your dog's license in person. Once the information base is in our files we can renew the license by mail. A quick call to the Town Clerk's office can give you the price and any other data you may need.

Boat registrations continue to grow in the three years that we have been doing them. This year we almost reached 300, with a total of 290 boats registered. This brought \$5,600 in revenue to the town, a 50% increase over last year's amount! As boat agents we can register any non-commercial vessel that is to be used primarily on New Hampshire's waters. Remember to come in person because state regulations require the owner's signature on the forms.

Summer brought vacations and, for me, my third and final year in the New Hampshire Joint Certification Program. In July, I received my certification and also was awarded the Anne Ingemundson Scholarship. This scholarship money was presented to the town and will pay for the first year of classes for the deputy town clerk.

1997 was a great year for auto registrations and the revenue collected reached a high of 1.8 Million. Renewal by mail continues to be popular as more and more residents are taking advantage of this handy method. Usually we can provide overnight service on these, so if you cannot get into the office it is very convenient.

This year we said a final good-bye to many residents, among them our friend, the former tax collector, Lewis Brown who passed away in December. We will miss his greetings and friendly advice.

In March we welcomed Davina Larivee to our office staff. Davina works part time, generally behind the scenes. She handles mailing out registrations, and filing. My thanks to the whole staff, Davina, deputy Betty Poliquin and to bookkeeper Joyce Williams whose spirit of cooperation and dedication makes my job easier.

We look forward to continuing to serve the people of Hampton in 1998.

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997***

Motor vehicle permits issued	\$1,874,506.00
Title Applications	7,382.00
Agent fee for state transactions	33,625.00
Dog Licenses	5,088.00
Dog Licenses State Portion	2,378.00
Vital Statistics	3,100.00
Vital Statistics State Portion	9,271.00
UCC Transactions	7,932.51
Boat Registrations	5,637.70
Miscellaneous	<u>5,501.03</u>
SUB-TOTAL	\$1,954,421.24
LESS Amount Paid to State	<u>-\$11,649.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL TO TOWN	\$1,942,772.24

*some figures were not available at time of publication

TREASURER'S REPORT

Another successful year for the Town has come and gone. The year proved to be an excellent one for tax collections, therefore decreasing the need to borrow.

After negotiations with three banks, the Town was able to obtain a \$6,000,000 line of credit with a fixed interest rate of 3.85%. The result of the increased tax collections meant that the Town did not need to borrow, which is the first time since I have been Treasurer! The interest expense for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1997 was 0, saving the taxpayers approximately \$150,000 in interest expense.

Because the Town did not borrow, the Town was able to invest its funds for a longer period of time, therefore increasing the amount of interest earned. The total amount earned for fiscal year ending December 31, 1997 was \$206,832.97. We hope that this trend will continue.

I look forward to a great 1998.

Ellen M. Lavin, CPA
Town Treasurer

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Municipal Budget Committee has come through another year of major changes. We welcomed several new members and bid fond farewell to those who left after many years of service. In particular we wish to thank John Callanan, Paul Comeau, Carol Hollingworth and Bonnie Searle for a job well done.

The Major change the Committee faces this year was working two yearly budgets in one year. Early in 1997 we worked the 1997 budget, prior to Town Meeting and the April vote. Then, because of the SB-2 changes in 1997, we began working on the 1998 budget in November so that all work would be finalized prior to the Town Meeting in January, 1998.

This has been a very full and challenging year for the Budget Committee members and I wish to thank them all for their hours, hard work and dedication to the budget process.

I wish to stress the importance of you, the voters, in the budget process. Without your participation at Town Meeting and in the voting booths our work will be for nothing. Please attend Town Meeting on January 31st and vote on March 10, 1998.

James W. Tierney, Jr. Chairman
Municipal Budget Committee

HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Hampton Highway Safety Committee meets monthly, on the fourth Monday of the month, at 1:00 PM in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. In an advisory capacity, the Committee is charged with the responsibility of advising the Town on ways to keep the roads of Hampton safe for vehicular and pedestrian traffic, as well as promoting highway safety in the town.

To this end, the Committee has advised the town on a number of matters over the past year, including the evaluation of plans for proposed subdivisions and site use changes forwarded by the Planning Board for review; numerous inquiries from private citizens for STOP signs, cautionary signs, etc. These requests are evaluated and recommendations are made in compliance to American National Standards approved by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Safety Administration.

The Committee expresses it's sincere appreciation to the men and women of the Hampton Police Department, Hampton Fire Department and Public Works Department for maintaining safe roads for the citizens of Hampton. We welcome the input of any residents interested in helping us maintain the excellent record we have in this town for highway safety.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Lacey, Chairman

Zane Blanchard, Vice Chairman

Judith A. Park

Alan Roach

Robert Ross

Jane Cameron, Alternate

Fred Palazzolo, Alternate

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

The Supervisors of the Checklist were kept busy during 1997 with local elections, school and town district meetings. Registration at the polls on election day, the on-site computer to answer questions and the ability of registering to vote at the Town Clerk's office has made the process of voting much more convenient.

The Supervisors are required to be in attendance at all elections. Duties of the Supervisors include: holding sessions for voters registering before town and school district meetings along with state and federal elections; deletion of voters from the checklist; and changes of address, party and name. Updated checklists are conveniently posted at both the Town Office and the Beach Fire Station. There you can check to make sure you are registered to vote and that your party affiliation and address are correct. Changes can be made with either the Town Clerk or the Supervisors. When registering to vote make sure to bring with you proof of residency - driver's license, car registration, tax bill, etc.

In January, 1998 our records showed that there were 11,188 registered voters in Hampton. The breakdown of voters by party designation were 3,359 Democrats (31%), 3,703 Republicans (34%) and 5,026 Undeclared (45%).

We thank the Town Clerk's Office for their assistance in processing voters, the Assessing Office for coordinating the printing of the checklists and the Tax Collector's Office for providing work space. We welcome any comments and suggestions you may have. Our goal is to make voting a pleasure. Please contact any of the Supervisors of the Checklist regarding changes in voting status, or family members that have moved from Hampton so the appropriate corrections can be made.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte K. Preston
Judith A. Dubois
Betty H. Moore

LEASED LAND REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

The Commission was established, at the request of the 1982 Annual Town Meeting, by the State Legislature via Chapter 3, Laws of 1983 (SB 19) which amended a previous special act, Chapter 314, Laws of 1975. The duties of the Commission include monitoring and implementing the sale of the lots leased by the Town for private use. The Commission approves each sale and hears all appeals from decisions of Town officials pertaining to the sales program. These issues include: determination of the fair market value of the lot, boundary disputes, duration of tenancy, and "any other appropriate matter." The program encompasses the traditional leased land at the beach from Epping Avenue near Hampton River north to the North Hampton town line in areas on both sides of Ocean Boulevard. Included are lots categorized by the following historical leasing-area designations: Pines, Bridge, HBIC (previous sales subject to the 99-year Master Lease to them, such lease having expired at midnight on March 31, 1997), Plantation (Winnacunnet Rd. north to High St. between Ocean Blvd. and Kings Highway), Plaise Cove and North Shore.

In recent years the Commission has only met when there is a sales agreement to be approved; not all approvals lead to a sale as, on occasion, the buyer (lease- or sublease- holder) decides not to consummate the purchase at that time. In those cases, the market value of the land "at the time of the sale" may change for a subsequent request to purchase and a new sales agreement would be required. The Commission has not heard a sales-price appeal for several years. The Commission is also charged with turning over the proceeds from sales to the Real Estate Trust Fund.

During 1997, the Commission met six times and approved six sales, five of which were in the former HBIC area south of H Street. Generally, that area's land values decreased under the Town's 1997 property-tax revaluation project. The sixth sales approval was in the Pines section (Dover Avenue). Five of the six approvals resulted in sales, including one lot (M Street) which had been approved for sale four previous times over eight years for three different sublessees of the HBIC.

Of the original 650 Town-owned leased lots or parcels, by year's end 40 remain to be sold in the former HBIC area (including two double-size lots counted as one each) and 24 remain in the previous direct-lease areas; most of the lots were sold at 30% FMV in the 1980's pursuant to Town Meeting votes in effect at the time.

The Commission's liaison with Town Operations has been Deputy Assessor Angela Boucher, who has provided exemplary support and cooperation.

Glyn P. Eastman, Chairman
Arthur J. Moody, Clerk
Raymond E. Alie
John F. Woodburn
Hollis W. Blake



Tuck Field Campers on a hot summer day!



Jeffrey Cullinane and Heidi Anderson, State Finalists from our Hershey Track & Field Program, 1997.



Selectman Warburton and his daughter Colleen trick-or-treat through the Town Hall for the costume admiration!



Young teens enjoy the Halloween Bash held at the Hampton Academy Junior High, October, 1997.

HAMPTON CEMETERIES

1997 was a very busy year. The April storm caused a delay with spring cleanup, but thanks again to the dedicated efforts of our experienced crew, we were able to complete all of the grounds keeping in time for Memorial Day.

On behalf of the Town of Hampton and the Hampton Cemetery Trustees, I would like to express gratitude to the following individuals and businesses for their donations to the Hampton cemeteries:

- Lisa Chick of Seacoast Memorials for a marker dedicating "Baby Land" and also for the donation of a new stone for Charlotte "Lottie" Ann Ackerman who was the High Street Cemetery's first internment, back in 1859.
- Jack and Betty Lessard for their donation of the Veteran's Memorial Monument which has been placed in the Roland Paige section of the cemetery.
- John Cole of Exeter Monument works for donating labor in the cleaning of over 100 stones in Section A. This was the first step in a project to restore this section where our 19th and early 20th century ancestors lay in rest. We hope to complete this project in the next 5 years.
- American Legion Post 395 for the donation of geraniums and the placing of flags to honor those individuals who served our country.
- Last but not least, a special thanks to John and Connie Holman for their continuing efforts in providing us with historical facts and contacts that assist us with publicity.

We continue as always to set our highest priority and concern in servicing the public in a professional and caring way. During those most difficult times in one's life we will always make ourselves available to assist them at any time and in anyway possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Danny J. Kenney
Superintendent of Cemeteries

LANE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Although 1997 is not yet over, the library has seen a definite increase in use. The staff has been striving to be sure anyone entering the library finds at least some part of what they were looking for.

Children's Services are provided by Beverly Vetter, who replaced Margaret Gleeson as Children's Librarian in March. Margaret left us for fewer duties at a higher salary elsewhere in January. Beverly, who had just completed her Master's Degree in Library Science in December of 1996, has re-energized the Children's Room and pulled together staff and programs. We were lucky to coax her away from the Rye School system right into the preparation for a summer reading program instead of her having the summer off! She formerly worked at the North Hampton Public Library until she began her Master's Program, so we knew the caliber of her work. The Children's summer program was quite successful with more readers than ever participating. The Children's Room staff of Joanne Mulready, Karen Ryan and Mary Marshall continue to do a super job of creating a friendly, nurturing environment and promoting good books to all ages. If you haven't been in lately, stop by and see them and their efforts.

While you are downstairs, stop in the Dorothy Little Room and see the temporary Senior Drop-In Center there. Weekly programs are planned, but it is also a place just to get together with your senior friends and chat, watch a movie, or play cards. The Trustees of the Library have granted interim use of the room until the Seniors find a home of their own, or until the library requires the space for library functions. Also downstairs is the Wheaton Lane Room. This summer saw a special exhibition of art by Joseph Cantave using the Stillman Hobbs Gallery in the Lane Room. The Hampton Historical Society also offers special programs in the Lane Room, the most recent being on Goody Cole.

Adult Services are capably provided by Joan Kahl, Circulation Supervisor, who had the idea for the senior drop-in center and who orders the large print and audio books for the collection; Jean Keefe, who finds all your interlibrary loan materials for you and catalogs Adult fiction and all the Children's books as well as working the Circulation Desk; Bill Teschek, Assistant Director, who wrote HAMPTON AND HAMPTON BEACH, a photo history, published by Arcadia this year and who is also getting much of Hampton's history onto the Internet for others to access, while doing the Adult cataloging, Joanne Straight, who juggles duties among Reference, Young Adult and Circulation and who is revitalizing the Young Adult collection for them; Alice Alford who also juggles Reference and Circulation and provides Reader's Advisory services to those who know her avid reading; Barbara Chapman and Megan Kilburn who both work evening shifts and are willing to cover for the rest of us when we are sick or on vacation; and Bobb Menk, our Internet Reference Librarian. Having survived the necessity of having his position put

on the warrant again, Bobb has brought the library into the "WEB." He is unfailingly cheerful as he troubleshoots our patched together system and adds more for the public. Through the generosity of his former workplace, we received three Macintosh computers and he has been able to make those available to the public with Internet access. His only request of the library, once his position was assured by vote of the public, was for an actual desk for his work space! If you haven't met Bobb, you haven't had the pleasure of seeing his ability and his humor at work. He is working with the town and the schools in their hopes of pulling all systems together.

Lest one think that the library is only technologically oriented, rest assured that the book is never going away. We often can find answers more quickly in the printed form, than in the electronic form. As in street systems where the main roads often have too much traffic, and the side roads take you back and forth and you sometimes get lost in the shortcut, so too is the electronic information "highway". It sometimes gets the user lost in the byways and the original destination is forgotten. Bobb provides direction through advisory services. All staff will be happy to recommend new books and old favorites for popular reads. When asked reference questions, our first response is to check our own catalog for books that can answer that question. There technology can assist us as the on-line category can search several ways, and can tell us if an item is actually on the shelf, and if not, when it is due back. We also have resource to several periodicals for up to date information, and again technology assists the actual printed word. If we do not have the physical magazine in house, we often are able to get a copy of the needed article(s) from the State Library via fax machine. If we cannot answer your question readily, we may ask you to fill out a quick reference form so that we can get back to you with the information after a broader search. We're also happy to show anyone how to use the on-line catalog - we are here to help.

The elected Trustees of the Library, Catherine Anderson, Tom Donaldson, Elizabeth Lavalee, Jerry McConnell and Barbara Rallis meet monthly to review the status of the library and plan for the future. We are fortunate to have committed people who care about this institution and who are willing to give of their time and effort freely.

We all look forward to 1998 being just as busy as we continue to merge print and technology to better serve you and prepare for the coming century.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Redden, Director

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This has been an active year for our Commission. At the regularly scheduled meetings of the fourth Tuesday of every month, we reviewed eighteen N.H. State Wetlands applications, eleven Hampton Special Permit applications, eleven Planning Board referrals, and a few Building Department referrals. In each case, the Commissioners conducted a site walk to inspect the soil conditions on the site. We also investigated several complaints filed against individuals dredging or filling wetlands without a state permit.

June was a busy month; Dan Gangai, representing our Commission, addressed the community on the local cable station as part of an effort of the Community Coordinating Council to inform the electorate of the duties and responsibilities of the Conservation Commission. Dave Weber continued his bird house development in our marshes. The number of inhabited units is up to approximately one hundred. All these tree swallows feeding exclusively on mosquitoes help curb our mosquito problem. Bonnie Thimble had forty gardens open for residents to cultivate in the Victory Garden. We were very proud to be included in the Hampton Historical Society's Garden Tour this year. Bonnie also held a dedication ceremony of "Mike's Place", a garden whose produce are donated to charity in Mike Robidas' name. Good work Bonnie! -- thanks for all your time and effort!

Since the Heritage Commission has begun its work of preserving and restoring the blacksmith shop on Barbour Road, the Victory Garden lost its storage space, therefore was in need of a shed to house the lawn mower, wheel barrows, hoses etc.. Wicke's Lumber answered our appeal with the donation of over three hundred dollars of materials, and Mr. Tom Samuelson gave all of his time and built a wonderful 8' x 10' shed. Tom was able to complete the construction in the middle of an early November snow storm! A dedication is planned for Spring.

The final revision of the Wetlands Ordinance with input from wetlands scientists, the Planning Board and legal counsel is ready for the Town's vote. After innumerable hours of work spent on this revision over several years, we are hopeful that it will be accepted this Spring by the voters.

The salt marsh restoration program continues with the work this year being concentrated in the Landing Road marsh. We have contracted with Mike Morrison who has in turn received moneys from U.S. Fish and Wildlife, Ducks Unlimited, Gulf of Maine and others to match the town's money to accomplish a project valued at well over \$30,000. The continued funding of this program will guarantee the restoration of other degraded marshes throughout the Town.

After two cancellations because of inclement weather, we were forced to cancel our Town Cleanup Day in 1997. We plan to hold the event again in 1998. Again this year, we will be offering a partial scholarship to Camp Carpenter, a conservation camp for any interested young future conservationist.

It was with regret what we accepted Peter Kowalski's and Ken Sheffert's resignations as alternates on our Commission. We are grateful for their contributions as I am grateful for the support and help from all present members, Betty Callanan, Dan Gangai, Bonnie Thimble, Peter Tilton, Jr., Alberta True, David Weber and Ellen Goethel. We have made a sincere contribution with our time and effort, and we look forward to continue working with all Town officials in the pursuit of our goals.

Vivianne G. Marcotte
Chairperson



Mr. Jim Reedy and Chairman Marcotte at the site of the Drakeside Road marsh restoration.



Marsh restoration is continuing on Landing Road.



Mr. Tom Samuelson graciously donated many hours of his time and expertise to build the Conservation Commission's new shed. Thank you, Tom!

HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Society offered several programs to the community of historic interest, as well as maintaining Tuck Museum and its grounds at 40 Park Avenue. Preserving Hampton's past is the primary mission of The Hampton Historical Society along with providing information to the community as an educational and research tool. The main museum contains furniture, paintings, military items, photographs and books representative of Hampton's past. On the grounds are an 1850's Schoolhouse, a Fire Museum and a Farm Museum, with examples of early tools used in the farming and fishing industry in Hampton.

The grounds were the site of the Rockingham Craftsmen's Fair and the second series of summer evening concerts sponsored by the Recreation Department. Our many volunteers assisted hundred of visitors through the museum and with genealogical inquiries. Five programs were presented this year. We had Dr. Jere Daniel from the Humanities Council Program give a speech about Hampton's role in the Revolution. We had General Moulton visit us through a Pat Triggs and Harold Fernald presentation. Martha Pinello and Carolyn White presented a joint program with the James House Association on archeology. Last summer we learned more about the Hampton Salt Marshes through a program presented by Harold Fernald explaining the uses and changes of our seacoast salt marshes. And finally, last Fall we had a living history presentation done by Harold Fernald and Pat Triggs of their interpretation of "Goody Cole, The Witch of Hampton". The summer exhibit "Where Sea Winds Blow; 350 Years of Hampton Beach" was viewed by 400 public visitors, over 300 school children through coordinated school tours and 60 visitors through special group guided tours.

Our third successful "Hampton in Bloom" garden tour was featured in June with more than 400 people attending. Nine Hampton gardens were presented, with each having a display by a selected craftsman. Our first and second editions of Hampton's Historical "Keepsake Ornaments", with scenes of Hampton continue to be very successful and are still available at our Museum Shop at 40 Park Avenue as well at the Town Clerk's Office and other retail outlets.

Our volunteers continue to improve and maintain the museum, its buildings and grounds. Work continues on the cataloguing of the collection. A group of volunteers number, measure and describe a diverse collection, while another group of volunteers help in the computerization of the collection. Photographs are being taken of the collection for cataloguing and a special device designed for three-dimensional objects was developed and given to the museum.

We were delighted to receive rare 18th century account books relating to Hampton and papers belonging to Joseph Dow. The books were presented to the museum by Ned Brandt historian for the Dow Chemical Company. The

Dow family arrived in Hampton in 1643. The Office of Town Clerk was held by a Dow for over 130 years. The gift included a 1691 account book of Henry Dow and a 1756 account book of Samuel Dow.

Membership continues to grow and is at an all time high of 420. It is open to anyone supportive of our mission. Members receive the quarterly newsletter "Gathering From the Green" and notices throughout the year on upcoming program events. Information on membership, visiting hours, tours or programs can be obtained by writing the Historical Society at P.O. Box 1601, Hampton, NH 03843 or calling 926-0781.

Respectfully submitted.
Arthur Caira, President



THE TUCK MUSEUM SHOP

Natalie Conner, museum volunteer, shows the visiting Steen Family some of the items for sale in the shop.

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The 1997 net income from the Real Estate Trust Fund was \$825,786. This directly benefits the tax rate by reducing the amount to be assessed by way of property tax. The principal fund of that trust is derived from the sale of Town-owned land at the beach. The sales program, begun in 1983, has resulted in a trust amount of \$13,019,115.93 by year's end. Its investment management is by the Trust and Investment Services Department of Bank of New Hampshire, Portsmouth, under contract with the Trustees.

The Trustees continued to manage the Library, Cemetery, Poor and Scholarship trust funds as well as the various Capital Reserve Funds for the Town and Hampton Beach Village District. A new town Computer (MIS) CRD was established in 1997. The \$35,000 appropriated in March into CRF/2, Replacement Apparatus, was not received from the HBVD.

The Board received no pro rata payment of the \$10,000 in 1971 Hampton National Bank/Bank Meridian building construction notes that came under default when the FDIC foreclosed on the bank in 1991. After corresponding with the FDIC in 1997, the Board voted not to write off that non-performing asset in 1997.

Again in 1997, the Rockingham Craftsmen donated \$100 to the Irving "Soup" Campbell Children's Sports Scholarship Trust Fund. Administratively, the Board formally adopted an Investment Policy as required by Chapter 209, Laws of 1996. For many years such a policy had been part of the RETF investment services contract with the bank. For the other trusts, the Board has adhered to the long-established trust fund statutes which name categories of investments that bring no personal liability to trustees utilizing them.

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

C. Raymond Gilmore, Chairman

John J. Kelley, Sr., Clerk

Robert V. Lessard, Bookkeeper

Recap of net income generated from the Real Estate Trust Fund. The principal is continuously being increased by direct sales of Town-owned lots and by monthly mortgage principal payments on Town-financed sales. The first payments were received by the Trustees of the Trust Funds during 1984. The principal fund balance at the end of 1984 was \$1.75M; at the end of 1997 it is \$13.0M. The fund is invested in government securities to maximize safety of principal.

Net Income to Benefit Tax Rate

1984	\$ 59,177	1989	\$1,136,837	1994	\$804,707
1985	311,593	1990	1,127,641	1995	880,324
1986	736,001	1991	1,119,791	1996	833,945
1987	768,746	1992	1,021,445	1997	825,786
1988	980,580	1993	893,040	TOTAL	\$11,499,613



Mona Otis and Helen Moynihan preside over a Senior Citizen's Club meeting in the Little Room at the Lane Library.



The staff of the Hampton Recreation Department. Toni Merrill, Secretary; Brenda DeFelice, Program Coordinator and Dyana Lassonde, Director.



IN RECOGNITION

The Town of Hampton would like to recognize the following Town employees who have retired from Town service this year. The Town of Hampton has been extremely fortunate to have such loyal, dedicated and talented employees. They will be missed both professionally and as friends.

George Batemen -Lieutenant, Police Dept.
24 years of service

Kenneth Richardson, Captain, Fire Dept.
28 years of service

Jean Hamilton, Secretary, Fire Department
16 years of service

John Simard, Lieutenant, Fire Department
22 years of service

Peter Tilton, Laborer, Public Works
7 years of service



*** NEW FACES IN TOWN ***

We are pleased to introduce the following new Town of Hampton employees:



Brenda DeFelice, Recreation
Program Coordinator
Hired: 3-31-97



Toni Merrill, Recreation
Secretary
Hired: 6-17-97



Frank Swift, Gen. Foreman
Hired: 2-19-97



Sean Gannon, Firefighter
Hired: 4-30-97



Matthew Cray, Firefighter
Hired: 9-03-97



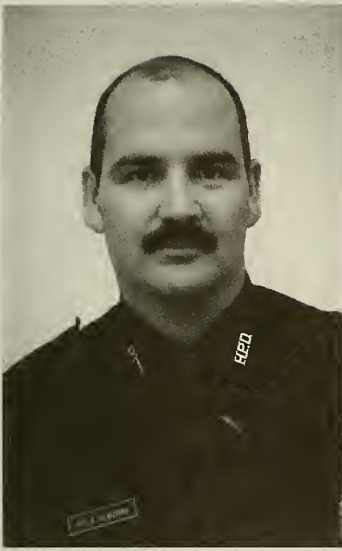
Jane Plummer, Admin. Assistant
Fire Dept. Hired: 9-26-97



Steven Aslin, WWTP
Operator
Hired: 01-06-97



Arlene Mowry, Assessing
Assistant
Hired: 01-13-97



Barry Newcomb, Patrolman
Hired: 10-24-97



Timothy Hamlin, Patrolman
Hired: 04-02-97



Samantha Zelinger, Police Dispatcher
Hired: 06-04-97



Ernie Gauthier, Asst. Bld. Insp.
Hired: 10-03-97



Margaret Esposito, Police Sec.
Hired: 10-20-97



Jason Page, Seasonal Bldg. Insp.
Hired: 10-01-97



Jeanne Bradley, Bldg. Office Assistant
Hired: 12-12-97

**Town of Hampton
New Hampshire**

**TOWN WARRANT
&
TOWN BUDGET**

1998

*As Amended at the Deliberative Session on
January 31, 1998. Changes indicated in Bold
print, deletions indicated with strike-through.

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
1998
TOWN WARRANT**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hampton, in the County of Rockingham, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at eight o'clock in the forenoon in the auditorium at Winnacunnet High School on Saturday, January 31, 1998 for the first session on the Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot.

In accordance with the action in Article 14 in the 1996 Town Warrant (pursuant to RSA 40:13) the second session of the Annual Meeting to elect officers by official ballot, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on said official ballot, shall be held on Tuesday, March 10, 1998 at seven o'clock in the forenoon at the Marston School, Marston Way. The polls will not close before eight o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1

To choose by non-partisan ballot: One (1) Moderator for Two Years; One (1) Selectmen for Three Years; One (1) Town Clerk for Three Years; One (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for Six (6) Years; One (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for Three Years; One (1) Library Trustee for Three Years; Two (2) Planning Board Members for Three Years; One (1) Budget Committee Member for One (1) Year; Four (4) Budget Committee Members for Three Years; One (1) Cemetery Trustee for Three Years; One (1) Zoning Board of Adjustment Member for Three Years.

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of amending Article 2.1 by redelineating a portion of the BS and RCS Districts by the adoption of Amendment No.1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Southerly side of Island Path 167.2 feet (±) East of Brown Avenue. Then running in a Southerly direction 113 feet (±) along the Easterly side of ¹Lot Number 75, Map Number 282, 112 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 100, across Page lane and 60 feet along the Easterly side of Lot Number 118, Map Number 282, 60 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 132, Map Number 282, across Wall Street and 60 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 150, Map Number 282 along the Easterly side of Lot Number 161, Map Number 282, across Bittersweet Lane and 60 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 182, Map Number 282,

¹ All Lot and Map Numbers refer to Town of Hampton Tax Map Numbers

80 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 190, Map Number 282, across Diane Lane and 80 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 195, Map Number 282, 50 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 199, Map Number 282, 50 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 203, Map Number 282, 50 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 213, Map Number 282, 50 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 3, Map Number 287, 50 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 16, Map Number 287, 62.4 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 17, Map Number 287, then turning and running in a Westerly direction 63.63 feet (±) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 17, Map Number 287, and continuing in a Westerly direction to the Northwest corner boundary of Lot Number 23, Map Number 287, and Brown Avenue. Then turning and running in a Southerly direction 100 feet (±) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 23, Map Number 287, 80 feet (±) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 25, Map Number 287, 116.66 feet (±) along the Southwest side of Lot Number 28, Map Number 287. Then turning and running in a Southerly direction across Brown Avenue Extension to Lot Number 50, Map Number 287, running in a Southerly direction 475 feet (±) across Lot Numbers 34 and 50, Map Number 287 to the Southerly side of Lot Number 34, Map Number 287, 171 feet (±) across Lot Number 1, Map 290, to the Southerly side of Lot Number 1, Map Number 290, then turning and running in an Easterly direction 205 feet (±) to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 11, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 58.8 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 11, Map Number 290, across Hobson Avenue to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 36, Map Number 290, 58.8 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 36, Map Number 290, then turning and running 94 feet (±) along the Northerly side of Lot Number 48, Map Number 290 to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 48, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 69.31 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 48, Map #290, across Manchester Street to the Northwest corner of Lot Number 64, Map Number 290, then turning and running 50 feet (±) along the Northerly side of Lot Number 64, Map Number 290, 50 feet (±) along the Northerly side of Lot Number 65, Map Number 290, to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 65, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 71.09 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 65, Map Number 290, 54.05 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 72, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Westerly direction 88 feet (±) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 72, Map Number 290 to the Southwest corner of Lot Number 72, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Southerly direction across Keefe Street to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 87, Map Number 290, then in a Southerly direction 54.5 feet (±) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 87, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Westerly direction 29.5 feet (±) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 87, Map Number 290, 58.5 feet (±) along the

Southerly side of Lot Number 86, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 67.7 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 93, Map Number 290, across Mooring Drive to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 122, Map Number 290, 68.2 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 122, Map Number 290, then turning and running in an Easterly direction 43 feet (\pm) along the Northerly side of Lot Number 132, Map Number 290, 100 feet (\pm) along the Northerly side of Lot Numbers 133 and 134, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 100 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 134, Map Number 290, then turning and running in a Westerly direction 100 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Numbers 133 and 134, then turning and running in a Southerly direction across Auburn Avenue to the Northwest corner of Lot Number 150, Map Number 290, 146.9 feet (\pm) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 150, Map Number 290, then turning and running in an Easterly direction 40.6 feet (\pm) along the Northerly side of Lot Number 5, Map Number 293, then turning and running Southerly 9.7 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 5, Map Number 293, then turning and running Easterly 49.9 feet (\pm) along the Northerly side of Lot Number 12, Map Number 293, then turning and running Southerly 58.1 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 12, Map Number 293, across Perkins Avenue to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 29, Map Number 293, 100 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 29, Map Number 293, 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 49, Map Number 293, across Johnson Avenue in a Southeasterly direction to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 65, Map Number 293, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 65, Map Number 293, 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 72, Map Number 293, across Riverview Terrace in a Southeasterly direction to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 90, Map Number 293, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 90, Map Number 293, 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 109, Map Number 293, across Bragg Avenue to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 126, Map Number 293, 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 126, Map Number 293, then turning and running in a Westerly direction 40 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 126, Map Number 293, 40 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 125, Map Number 293, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 146, Map Number 293, across Tuttle Avenue in a Southeasterly direction to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 165, Map Number 293, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 165, Map Number 293, 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 2, Map Number 296, across Fellows Avenue in a Southwesterly direction to the Northeast corner of Lot Number 14, Map Number 296, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 14, Map Number 296, 80 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 28, Map Number 296,

across Dow Avenue to Lot Number 43, Map Number 296, then turning and running in a Westerly direction 80 feet (\pm) along the Northerly side of Lot Number 43, Map Number 296, then turning and running in a Southeasterly direction 79 feet (\pm) along the Northeasterly side of Lot Number 19, Map Number 295, to the Southeasterly corner of Lot Number 19, Map Number 295, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 50 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 23, Map Number 295, 50 feet (\pm) along the Easterly side of Lot Number 27, Map Number 295, then turning and running in a Westerly direction 100 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 27, Map Number 295, then turning and running in a Southerly direction 166.66 feet (\pm) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 31, Map Number 295, 74.26 feet (\pm) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 41, Map Number 295, 59.06 feet (\pm) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 49, Map Number 295, 99.92 feet (\pm) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 56, Map Number 295, then turning and running in a Westerly direction across Whitten Street, 110 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 55, Map Number 295, 90 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 54, Map Number 295, across Harris Avenue, 50 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 46, Map Number 295, 50 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 45, Map Number 295, 50 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 44, Map Number 295, 41 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 43, Map Number 295, 43 feet (\pm) along the Southerly side of Lot Number 42, Map Number 295, then turning and running in a Northerly direction 101.63 feet (\pm) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 42, Map Number 295, 419.88 feet (\pm) along the Westerly side of Lot Number 15, Map Number 295, 68.63 feet (\pm) along the Northwesterly side of Lot Number 15, Map Number 295, 156 feet (\pm) along the Northwesterly side of Lot Number 8, Map Number 295, 50 feet (\pm) along the Southeasterly side of Lot Number 1, Map Number 295, then turning and running in a Northwesterly direction 565 feet (\pm) along the Northeast side of Lot Number 1, Map Number 292, then turning and running in a Westerly direction to the Hampton and Hampton Falls town boundary line, turning and running Northerly along said Hampton and Hampton Falls town boundary line to the extension of the Hampton Precinct line, then turning and running in a Northeasterly direction along the Precinct line to the Southerly side of Island Path, then turning and running in an Easterly direction 1,200 feet (\pm) along Island Path to the point of beginning.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of amending Section 2.3 Wetlands Conservation District Ordinance by the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board and duly posted, for major changes outlined generally below to the Town's Zoning Ordinance?

To amend the Zoning Ordinance to include word clarification and major changes to the Wetlands Conservation District, Section 2.3 to Include, but not be limited to the following changes:

Amend Article 2.3.1 Purpose. (Generally) to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and to remove Section 2.3.1D “Encourage those low intensity uses which can be appropriately and safely performed in wetlands”; and to change 2.3.1 G. To include “prevent construction or earth moving activities in wetlands and their buffers, which could impact adjacent property”.

Amend Article 2.3.2, Definitions and Delineations: by changing the following definitions:

Additions to 2.3.2A:1 and 2.3.2B: Removing specific reference to the “Richardson study” and “U.S. Soil Conservation Service Reference” and indicating tidal wetlands as referenced in Appendix 1 & 2 and inland wetlands in Appendix 3. Changing section 2.3.2C to remove reference to the map and section 2.3.D removing corrections being made a part of the official wetlands map.

Amend Article 2.3.3, Permitted Uses: Additions and changes to the following sections.

Addition to Section 2.3.3A:5 by requiring a special permit for footbridges, fences, catwalks and wharves and for 2.3.3B.4: by requiring a special permit for drainage ways as paths for normal runoff, consistent with purposes of the Wetlands Conservation District. For 2.3.3B.6 & 7: Include parks and “passive” recreation, and remove section 7, and replace with requirement for special permit for roads, driveways, power lines, utilities and access ways providing the inclusion of the following conditions (a) construction is essential to productive use of the upland; (b) design and construction methods will minimize impact on site and include restoration of site; (c) alternative with less impact is not feasible; (d) all necessary permit applications are applied for concurrently. Section 2.3.3C to include a special permit for other low density uses in the Wetlands Conservation District.

Amend Article 2.3.4 Buffer Provisions- Additions and changes to the following sections:

Addition of a new definition for Buffer: “extending 50’ out from the wetlands boundary line”. In Article 2.3.4A, addition includes that if “the setback cannot be maintained, the replacement system (septic system) shall meet the setback to the degree possible”; and to remove all of section 2.3.4B, and replace with no structure, impermeable surface, parking space or building activity shall be permitted within 50’ of any wetlands, with Best Management Practices potentially being required by the Planning Board (except as provided in 2.3.4C (existing building within the buffer zone may be repaired and/or replaced) & 2.3.4D where adjacent buildings are setback closer than 50’, the greater setback shall be observed).

Amend Article 2.3.5 Special Permits: Additions and changes to the following sections:

In Article 2.3.5B, addition of Planning Board holding a public hearing and notifying abutters as required under RSA 676:4 for special permits.

Amend Article 2.3.6 Disputed Boundaries: Additions and changes to the following sections:

Remove Article 2.3.6A and replace with "evidence shall be obtained by onsite investigation and analysis conducted by NH certified soil scientist or other NH certified wetlands scientist." Remove Article 2.3.6B.3 and replace with "a change to the wetland delineation, as a result of an appeal, made under this ordinance shall be recorded on a mylar with the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds."

Amend Article 2.3.7 Special Provisions: Additions and changes to the following sections:

Change Article 2.3.7C.1: to change the wetland "Does not exceed 50%" to "does not exceed 25%" and to change Article 2.3.7C.2 from "at least 4,500 contiguous square feet" to "at least 5,000 contiguous square feet". To remove Section 2.3.7E.1: and add "in the determination of a suspected filling of a wetland (since March 12, 1985) to be made by a NH certified soil or wetland scientist, and paid for by the applicant." And to add 2.3.7E.2: "to include where wetland vegetation is cleared, that hydric soils shall be evidence;" and to add "Section 2.3.7E.3 where ground and aerial photography may be used to examine wetland and buffers to confirm the possibility of a violation;" and to add "Section 2.3.7E.4: that within 60 days of written notice of a confirmed violation, the property owner shall submit a written Restoration Plan to the Conservation Commission for approval and that no building permit will be granted if the property is not restored."

Amend Appendix: To remove three appendices and add two new appendices to include "3. Soils Information for Resource Planning, Hampton, N.H; 4: Stormwater management and Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook for Urban and Developing Areas in N.H. (USDA SCS, 1992)".

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances as follows:

Amend article IV - Dimensional Requirements, by amending Section 4.5.2, (RA, RB, RCS, and G) Side Setbacks, as follows:

(26) In Residential A, Residential B and General Zone the figure equal to twenty-five percent (.25) of the frontage dimension of the lot shall be deemed to

be the total of the side line setbacks. The figure shall be divided equally to determine the right and left sideline setbacks. Application of this rule shall not, in any zone affected, result in a sideline setback of less than seven (7) feet nor more than the minimum set forth in Article IV, Table II of the Zoning Ordinance in effect as of April 8, 1997.

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board to delete Section 5.7.2 of the Town Zoning Ordinance as a result of Violations being addressed in Section XVI.

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Add to the end of 6.1: No off-street parking lots shall be allowed without Planning Board approval. Approval shall be recorded with the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds. The applicant shall submit a written application and fees as determined by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Article X - Building Permits and Inspection.

10.6 Applications. Effective upon passage of this ordinance, building permit applications for dwelling units subject to the restrictions contained in this ordinance shall be processed in the order in which they are received, subject to the following provisions: Except as hereinafter provided, the total number of building permits issued in any twelve (12) month calendar period, from January 1st to December 31st shall not exceed seventy-two (72). Once seventy-two permits have been issued, any pending applications will be canceled and returned to the applicant and no new building permit applications will be accepted until the first business day of the following calendar year.

Building permit applications shall be hand delivered to the Office of the Building Department and will be time and date stamped in the order in which they are received by the Building Department. Once received, building permit applications shall be acted on in the order in which they were received.

For purposes of allocation, each dwelling unit within a building shall be considered to have used one (1) building permit.

The developer of a subdivision may apply for building permits for up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the dwelling units contained within the subdivision, not to exceed a limit of six (6) in one month or nine (9) in a period of twelve (12) consecutive months. When calculating the number of building permits under this provision, fractional results greater than one half (1/2) shall be rounded to the next higher whole number. For subdivisions consisting of three (3) or fewer lots, each lot therein shall be deemed equivalent to twenty-

five (25) percent of the dwelling units contained within the project for the purposes of this provision.

A total of nine (9) of the seventy-two (72) permits allocated for the year shall be reserved for subdivisions of three (3) or fewer lots. In the event these reserved permits are unused by September first of any given year, they may be added to the total available as provided above.

The number of building permits issued for construction within one (1) subdivision shall not exceed the limits set forth above, regardless of whether applications are submitted by a developer for “spec houses”, so called, or from individual owners of record lots within the same subdivision.

No building permit secured through this process may be transferred to another individual, partnership, corporation or other entity.

In addition, move the Definitions as currently shown in Article 10.6 footnotes 4 through 7 to: Article 1.6 DEFINITIONS.

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 to amend Section 10 by adding Section 10.1.4a and Section 1.6 Definitions as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

10.1.4.a All businesses shall be located in a building with a permanent foundation, four walls and a permanent roof.

1.6 Definitions

PERMANENT FOUNDATION- Poured concrete, concrete masonry units, or engineered pilings placed continuously or intermittently to a depth that equals or exceeds the frost line, to which a structure is attached.

ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance. Article 12.1 through 12.4 supersedes all previous Article provisions dealing with Certificates of Year Round and Seasonal Occupancy but does not affect Certificates of Occupancy for new construction which are still regulated pursuant to applicable sections.

12.1 Existing Units: No home, apartment, tenement, dwelling unit, hotel/motel unit, or other residential premises shall be let, rented, leased or otherwise occupied for residential purposes unless a Certificate of Rental Occupancy per 12.1.1 has been issued by the Hampton Building Department to the owner of record of that property. All residential units without a year round Certificate of Rental Occupancy may be used on a year round bases only by the owner of record, meaning to be that person or entity who is the title holder as recorded by the Rockingham County Register of Deeds.

12.1.1 Certificate of Rental Occupancy, Year Round or Seasonal: The Certificate of Rental Occupancy will be designated "Year Round" or "Seasonal". All residential units leased between the dates of October 15 and May 15 will be designated "Year Round" and subject to all requirements of the State of New Hampshire Energy Code. All structures leased only between the dates of May 15 to October 15 will be designated "Seasonal" and not subject to the New Hampshire Energy Code.

12.2 Criteria: In considering and approving applications for Certificates of Rental Occupancy by the Building Department and the Fire Department, the primary concern of the Town of Hampton is to preserve the public health, safety and welfare of the owner and occupants. To this end, the approval of any application shall include appropriate conditions and safeguards with regard to the following:

12.2.1 Adequate construction to provide a safe structure and protection from the elements.

12.2.2 Adequate habitable living area to meet minimum Housing Standards.

12.2.3 Safe and adequate ingress and egress.

12.2.4 Proper installation and operation of the heating, plumbing, mechanical and electrical systems in accordance with the New Hampshire Energy Code and in accordance with the Town of Hampton's Building and Life Safety Codes.

12.3 Application: The owner of record of a property may request a Certificate of Rental Occupancy by filing applications on a joint form provided by the Building Department.

After an on-site inspection by the Building Department and the Fire Department, to insure that the premises conform to the required standards, the Certificate will be issued. This Certificate will have a life of ten years. To continue the Certificate of Rental Occupancy for a subsequent ten year term, a new inspection must be performed and new Certificate issued. Certificates in force on the date of enactment of this ordinance will expire ten years from the date the Certificate was issued. In order to continue the Certificate of Rental Occupancy, an inspection must be performed and a new Certificate issued by the Building Department.

12.4 Revocation: The Building Department may revoke any Certificate of Rental Occupancy should the premises no longer conform to the requirements of the Ordinance, or to any State or Town health regulations. The notice of revocation must be mailed to the owner of record of the property by Certified Mail and posted at the front entrance of the premises. When the violation is abated the applicable Certificate will be reissued, to expire on its original expiration date.

12.5 Fees: No fees will be levied to obtain the aforementioned Certificates unless more than three (3) visits are necessitated. If a fourth or further visit is necessary, then a \$50.00 fee per visit will be charged.

ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 9 to amend Article XV by adding Elderly Housing standards and renumber current articles XV, XVI and XVII as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to read as follows:

XV. ELDERLY HOUSING - Elderly housing is subject to the approval of Site Plan Review by the Planning Board and must conform, but not be limited to the following standards in permitted Districts.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	R	R	R	R	X	R
1.	No Elderly Housing shall exceed the height requirement for the District in which it is proposed.						
2.	The required land area per dwelling unit shall equal that of the underlying district.						
3.	Any multi-storied building shall be subject to elevators. Elevator shafts shall be exempt from height requirements of the underlying zone.						
4.	Basement apartments/including any apartments with any portion of living space below grade level are prohibited.						
5.	Elderly housing shall comply with all Town and State Codes. In addition, BOCA (National Building Code), NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) Life Safety Codes shall be followed as determined by the Town of Hampton Building Department and Fire Prevention Bureau.						
6.	Elderly housing shall provide a minimum indoor gathering area of twenty (20) square feet per dwelling unit, not to be less than four hundred (400) square feet per building. This area shall not include dining facilities.						
7.	Driveways and parking areas shall be located at least twenty-five (25) feet from the front of any building and at least ten (10) feet from the side or rear of any building.						
8.	All driveways, lighting and landscaping associated with such areas shall conform to construction specifications for new subdivision streets.						
9.	Parking configuration shall be as determined by the Planning Board. This determination shall take into consideration the type of Elderly Housing being presented.						
10.	A minimum open buffer zone of at least twenty-five (25) feet shall be preserved along all boundaries of the site. Natural woodlands shall be the preferred landscaping. In locations of no natural woodlands, the Planning Board shall approve the landscaping.						
11.	All building shall be located twenty (20) feet from the interior edge of the buffer zone.						
12.	Types of elderly housing permitted are: Group Shared Residence, Supportive Agency-Sponsored Group Shared Residence, Congregate Housing and Lifecare or Continuing Care Retirement Communities or other elderly housing proposals that the Planning Board considers appropriate, after Public Hearing.						

ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 10 to amend Section V, SIGN SIZE CHART, that reduces Free Standing signs from one hundred and fifty (150) square feet and wall signs from two hundred (200) square feet to fifty (50) square feet in the Business (B), Business Seasonal (BS), Industrial (I) and General (G) Districts as proposed by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,400,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, permit applications, land acquisitions, and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage facilities recommended in the Town's 201 Facilities Planning Study for the Winnacunnet Road Lift Station and correlating sewerage construction on Ocean Boulevard, requirements which are contained in the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), and will qualify the Town for Federal and State funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds and Notes not to exceed \$1,400,000 under and in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of Hampton; additionally to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose, and to allow the Selectmen to expend such monies as become available from the Federal and State governments and pass any vote relating thereto. Any income derived from temporary investment of the bond proceeds shall be returned to the General Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$15,203,108? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$14,878,005, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town Meeting or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only."

*NOTE: Warrant Article #13 (Operating Budget Article) does not include special warrant articles 12, 16, 19, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36; and individual warrant articles 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 37.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$689,220 to be used to exercise an existing purchase and sales agreement (which is subject to Town Meeting approval) to acquire the land and buildings at 90 and 100 Winnacunnet Road from Citizen's Bank and to lease back a portion of the building to Citizen's Bank for a period of time, to exceed one year. The intent is to use this building as a Town Office. As a result of this authorization, it is estimated that in future years up to \$397,000 (in current dollars) will be needed for final relocation and modification costs. Major modifications include installation of an elevator and fire sprinkler system and alterations to the restrooms to meet ADA requirements and building and life safety codes. Other expenses include relocation of some interior walls and doorways, maintenance repairs to the roof, replacement of the heating/air conditioning system, and improvements in the fire alarm system. Revenues received from lease income estimated at approximately \$3,000 per month from the bank shall be deposited in the General Fund to offset the tax rate.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 15

In the event that Article 14 passes: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$120,000 to be used for the following: \$100,000 to install an elevator, and \$20,000 to install a fire sprinkler system in the building at 90 and 100 Winnacunnet Road (formerly Citizen's Bank) to meet ADA requirements and building and life safety codes and to make the necessary modifications to the building so that the basement area can be occupied as soon as possible. This is a portion of the \$397,000 referenced in Article 14 that will be needed for final relocation and modification costs.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the maintenance and/or re-construction of streets and raise and appropriate \$350,000 to go into that fund; use of said funds to be approved by majority vote of Town Meeting.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

NOT Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$245,000 to reconstruct Highland Avenue ~~by~~ **to include** excavating the existing hot-topped roadway and ~~deteriorated~~ sidewalks, rebuild the roadway, install

sidewalks, curbings and an appropriate drainage system, taking such land by eminent domain as is necessary.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount up to \$185,000 to be used to exercise an existing purchase option to acquire 19 +/- acres of land located to the north of White's Lane and to the east of Mill Road, shown on Hampton Tax Map 0092, Lot 0001. The land to be under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission for conservation purposes.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town ~~raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000~~ \$100,000 as a special article to purchase a replacement ambulance for the Fire and Rescue service; **\$100,000 to be raised by taxes and the balance to be withdrawn from the Fire/Rescue Capital Reserve Fund.**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$100,000 to be used for the first phase of a three-phase improvement to the wastewater treatment plant to control the odors associated with the plant.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

NOT Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$64,468 to fund the cost items relating to the Professional Firefighters of Hampton, Local #2664 - IAFF, salaries and benefits for 1998. Such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Hampton by it's Board of Selectmen and the Professional Firefighter's of Hampton, pursuant to N.H. RSA 273-A.

NOTE: the above agreement is for the years 1997, 1998 and 1999. The additional amounts necessary to fund the cost items for the following years are:
1997: \$28,086 to cover retroactive salaries and benefits.

1998: \$36,382 over the amounts for contract year 1997 for salaries and benefits.

1999: \$45,021 over the amounts for the contract year 1997 & 1998 for salaries and benefits.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,139 to fund the cost items relating to the Hampton Fire Department Supervisory Association, Local #3017- salaries and benefits for 1998. Such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Hampton by it's Board of Selectmen and the Fire Supervisors, pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 273-A.

NOTE: the above agreement is for the years 1997, 1998 and 1999. The additional amounts are necessary to fund the cost items for the following years are:

1997: \$12,543 to cover retroactive salaries and benefits.

1998: \$15,596 over the amounts for contract year 1997 for salaries and benefits.

1999: \$19,454 over the amounts for the contract year 1997 & 1998 for salaries and benefits.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$69,602 to fund the cost items relating to the State Employees Association, Local 1984 salaries and benefits for 1998. Such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Hampton by it's Board of Selectmen and the State Employees Association (Public Works), pursuant to N.H. RSA 273-A.

NOTE: the above agreement is for the years 1997, 1998 and 1999. The additional amounts necessary to fund the cost items for the following years are:

1997: \$35,483 to cover retroactive salaries and benefits.

1998: \$34,119 over the amounts for the year 1997 for salaries and benefits.

1999: \$42,449 over the amounts for the year 1997 & 1998 for salaries and benefits.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$64,315 to fund the cost items relating to the Hampton Police Association salaries and benefits for 1998. Such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Hampton by it's Board of Selectmen and the Hampton Police Association, pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 273-A.

NOTE: the above agreement is for the years 1997, 1998 and 1999. The additional amounts necessary to fund the cost items for the following years are:

1997: \$27,845 to cover retroactive salaries and benefits.

1998: \$36,470 over the amount for the year 1997 for salaries and benefits.
1999: \$45,099 over the amounts for the year 1997 & 1998 for salaries and benefits.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 25

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,170 to fund the cost items relating to the Hampton Police Association (Sergeants) salaries and benefits for 1998. Such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Hampton by it's Board of Selectmen and unit noted above, pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 273-A.

NOTE: the above agreement is for the years 1997, 1998 and 1999. The additional amounts necessary to fund the cost items for the following years are:

1997: \$5,445 to cover retroactive salaries and benefits.

1998: \$6,725 over the amounts for the year 1997 for salaries and benefits.

1999: \$8,422 over the amounts for the year 1997 & 1998 for salaries and benefits.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 26

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,652 to fund the cost items relating to the Teamsters, Local #633 salaries and benefits for 1998. Such sum representing the additional salaries and benefits contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Hampton by it's Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters (Clerical, PW Foremen, PD Dispatchers) pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 273-A.

NOTE: the above agreement is for the years 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999. The additional amounts necessary to fund the cost items for the following years are:

1997: \$17,760 to cover retroactive salaries and benefits.

1998: \$16,892 over the amounts for the year 1997 for salaries and benefits.

1999: \$21,075 over the amounts for the year 1997 & 1998 for salaries and benefits.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,000 which represents six (6) months of 1998, for a full-time Planner and administrative assistant. This amount includes \$11,250 for support and search.

Excluding the cost of living allowance, the cost to be included in future budgets will be approximately \$85,000 per year.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

NOT recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 28

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 as a special article to prepare conceptual plans for a police facility?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 29

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 as a special article to replace the Jaws of Life rescue tool for the Fire and Rescue service?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 30

On petition of the Hampton Cemetery Trustees: Charlotte Preston, Matthew Shaw and Brian Lacey, and 25 registered voters to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,500 to fund improvements on land owned and cleared by the Town of Hampton at the High Street Cemetery. This will establish 320± individual grave lots by paving additional roadways. Revenues derived from the sale of these cemetery lots is held in the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund, the interest from which will be withdrawn annually and deposited into the Town's General Fund as an offset to the amount appropriated for the maintenance of the cemeteries.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 31

On petition of Vivianne G. Marcotte and the Conservation Commission and at least twenty-five (25) registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To raise and appropriate \$15,000 for the purpose of continuing the restoration of our degraded salt marshes. This will enable the Conservation Commission to apply for matching funds from U.S. Fish and Wildlife, Ducks Unlimited, the Office of State Planning, N.H. Coastal Program, and others to accomplish projects costing twice this amount and more.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 32

On petition of Richard Gibbons, 102 Mace Road, Hampton, NH and 25 or more registered voters of the Town of Hampton: to see if the Town will vote to support the Hampton Christmas Parade and related activities and raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to help defray the expense of the 1998 event. Said funds to be paid to the Hampton Beach Area Chamber of Commerce.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 33

On petition of Richard W. Bateman and twenty-five registered voters to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of providing disability ~~payments insurance, to include the Town of Hampton self-insuring, and or other coverage, for lost average weekly wage income to the employees of the Hampton Police Department Town of Hampton. who, due to a recent interpretation of coverage previously given under New Hampshire Workers' Compensation law, are not presently covered.~~ This fund is to be used for ~~past and future needs of those affected by a recent interpretation of coverage under N.H. Workers' Compensation laws until the necessary wording to provide coverage is brought forth through legislation at the State level.~~

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 34

On petition of Vivianne G. Marcotte and the Conservation Commission and at least twenty-five (25) registered voters of the Town of Hampton: To add three cents (\$.03) per thousand to the tax burden, until changed or modified by a future Town Meeting, to be placed in a Conservation Land Fund for the purpose of acquiring conservation land as it becomes available. The intent is to safeguard the tax rate from an increase in any one year in order to cover the entire cost of an acquisition. **Before any funds can be expended a public hearing must take place and have the Selectmen's approval.**

NOT Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
NOT Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 35

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate only \$46,369.37 (20% of the gross lease and rental from town's parking areas located within the Hampton Beach Village District) for the purpose allocated by Warrant Article #41 (1996) for the purpose of: installing remaining donated basketball hoops (\$2,000). The remaining to be spent on planning and construction of cement sidewalks with granite curbs, conduit and lighting on Ashworth Avenue. Necessary sewer and drain work to be done first. Grant money may also be applied for and used in this project. This article will not effect the town's tax rate. (By petition)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 36

To see if the Town of Hampton will authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease agreement for the purpose of leasing four police vehicles and one animal control vehicle.

ARTICLE 37

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate only the sum of \$18,275 to be deposited in the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund, the interest from which will be withdrawn annually and deposited into the Town's General Fund as an offset to the amount appropriated for the maintenance of the cemeteries. This appropriation will not effect the 1998 tax rate.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 38

To see if the Town will vote to withdraw the sum of \$15,500 from the MIS Capital Reserve Fund already established by Town Meeting in 1997 for the purpose of connecting all department buildings on the same wide area computer network. This article will not effect the 1998 tax rate.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 39

Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to RSA 41:11-a, Management of Town Real Property, to lease town owned property, for a period of no more than fifteen years, such property not covered under the authorization granted in 1982 for the traditional leased land in the beach, and such leases being continued with the restrictions of being for parking and beautification purposes only with no structures, at Tax Map 287 Lot 028 (Brown Avenue Extension), and at Tax Map-287 Lot 18-A, Map 175 Lot 13-002 (in front of the theaters for 350 feet, being the Town's old street railway right-of-way). ~~for a period of more than one year.~~

ARTICLE 40

Shall the Town of Hampton authorize the Board of Selectmen to offer for sale the property acquired through a legal settlement at 237 Landing Road in a manner that is in the best interest of the Town of Hampton.

ARTICLE 41

To see if the Town will vote to correct the name of the grantee of a conveyance of Tax Map 151, Lot 012 consisting of 2,645 square feet for the assessed value of \$2,500.00 to "Bailey Condominium Unit Owners Association" rather than "Bailey Beach Resort" and to reaffirm Article 46 of the 1995 Town Meeting granting the Selectmen the authority to sell the above property currently leased from the Town of Hampton.

ARTICLE 42

We, the undersigned residents of the Town of Hampton, being not less than twenty-five (25) in number, respectfully request the Board of Selectmen to

include the attached Warrant Article in the Town Warrant to be presented at the 1998 Town Meeting with respect to the Firefighter's contract. Fire Supervisors' contract, Public Works Department employee's contract and Police Officers' contract:

Shall the Town of Hampton, if Article 21, Article 22, Article 23 ~~and or~~ Article 24 are defeated, authorize the Governing Body to call one special meeting, at its option, **to address cost items only of the defeated said articles or articles.** ~~Article 21, Article 22, Article 23 and Article 24 cost items only?~~

ARTICLE 43

Article 42 requests authorization for a special town meeting to consider the cost items of Article 21, 22, 23, 24; the Board of Selectmen requests that the authorization include the contracts covering the Police Sergeant's and Teamster's. This special meeting would be the same meeting as authorized in the event Article 42 passes.

Shall the Town of Hampton, if Article 25 ~~and or~~ Article 26 are defeated, authorize the Governing Body to call one special meeting, at its option, **to address cost items only for of the defeated said article or articles?** ~~cost items only?~~

ARTICLE 44

To see if the Town will vote to continue to follow the Town's 201 Facilities Planning Study (Hampton's Sewer Construction Design, most recent updates).

A. When development of land not serviced by public sewer and wish to connect "hookup":

1. follow the 201 Facilities Planning Study.
2. Bear the cost of construction of that sewer facility.

B. No private sewer lines will cross private property lines or public ways.
-except by 201 Facilities design, or by Town Meeting vote.

C. Upon special petition to alter 201 Facilities design an applicant would seek approval from both the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board, then before a vote: No design change can be made, until:

1. Selectmen hold two Public Hearings on the sewer facilities, and
2. Planning Board holds a Public Hearing including notice to abutters effected by that sewer facility.
3. For that design change to pass, it will require 4/1 Selectmen; 5/2 Planning Board (as per majority).

Thus, protect Hampton's best interest and preserve integrity in the public sewer infrastructure. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 45

~~Whereas the board of three Cemetery Trustees has conducted all of its public business from October 1995 to December 1997 in secret, including the~~

~~preparation and adoption of three annual budget requests (1996, 1997, 1998), such being in gross violation of the State Right To Know Law and the Trustees' oaths of office; and,~~

~~Whereas, the board allowed a Trustee to be the full-time salaried Superintendent with benefits from 1994 to April 1997 contrary to State Cemetery Laws, and is now proposing a 45% pay increase, with attendant large increases in taxpayer costs for two retirement plans and other payroll taxes, in part so that revenue from the cemetery operation that under the previous part-time Superintendent went into the General Fund as required by law, will no longer be diverted to the Superintendent as has now been revealed; and,~~

~~Whereas, the Town Manager as the professional supervisor of the Town Departments is the intended supervisor under the Town Manager Law as adopted and re-adopted by the voters over the years, and under such authority has jurisdiction over the various full-time and seasonal crews of personnel that are regularly hired, and therefore,~~

~~We, the undersigned 25 or more legal voters of the Town, petition the following question to the ballot:~~

~~"Shall we discontinue the board of cemetery trustees by delegating their duties and responsibilities to the town manager? (By Petition) This article is not recommended by the Town Meeting of Janaury 31, 1998.~~

ARTICLE 46

~~Whereas the Town Meeting in 1996 adopted, by an illegal procedure, a petitioned article to skim 20 percent of the Town's parking lot revenue to be used only in the Hampton Beach Village District area, which is zoned Seasonal Business, for infrastructure purposes, thereby denying that traditional revenue to benefit the entire Town; and,~~

~~Whereas, the use of those funds are operationally controlled by the three Village District Commissioners, who are not Town officers but elected by the small voter checklist of that self-created, self-governing special taxing district — a situation that has the Commissioners operating outside their oaths of office and, contrary to State Law, controlling Town Officials (the Town Manager and DPW Director) who are a minority on the determination and de facto operational five-member committee, which for two years has violated the Right-to-Know Law by not posting public meetings or keeping official minutes of proceedings; and,~~

~~Whereas, some projects and expenditures to date have violated the State Law under which that Special Revenue Fund was created by spending funds on non-highway projects as well as on non-Town land, in direct violation of the 1996 Town vote, such example being the \$38,000 in 1997 for a sidewalk that, unknown to the voters, is to be on private property which has taken additional expense for legal easements; and,~~

~~Whereas, the 1998 proposal to expend parking lot revenue includes an additional non-highway purpose of playgrounds plus \$44,000 to begin a project constructing concrete sidewalks along both sides of the mile-long Ashworth~~

~~Avenue to include utility wire conduits underground, replacing the utility poles and street lights, a project cost that will rival the \$2.4 M cost of the U.S. Route 1 (zoned Business) project that does not include placing utility wires underground; and;~~

~~Whereas, this diverting of Town in the Seasonal Business Zone, and the giving of operational control to non-Town officials — contrary to a number of State Laws — have created an insidious, self-serving and harmful effect that increases the perception and contention that we are not all one Town but, indeed, “Town and Beach”; so therefore,~~

~~We, the undersigned 25 or more legal voters of the Town of Hampton, petition the following question to be placed on the ballot pursuant to RSA 31:95-d:~~

This article is not recommended by the Town Meeting of January 31, 1998 “Shall we rescind the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 20% of revenues from the gross lease and rental income from the town’s parking areas within the Hampton Beach Village District to expenditures for the purpose of town owned infrastructure within the Village District boundaries? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the 20% Town Parking Lot Revenue Reserve for Village District area infrastructure fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue.” (By Petition)

HAMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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A true copy attest:

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF _____ HAMPTON _____ N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998 or
for Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

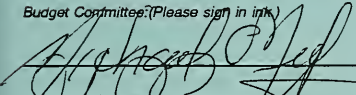
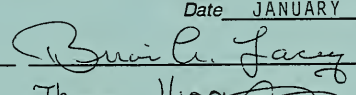



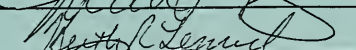
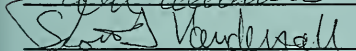



IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink)

Date JANUARY 21, 1998

CHAIRMAN

Anot. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 323.5)	Warr Art#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	Executive		97,193	97,511	98,621		98,811	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		131,173	134,344	137,339		132,846	4,493
4150-4151	Financial Administration		396,261	398,641	505,386		500,651	4,735
4152	Revaluation of Property							
4153	Legal Expense		123,500	343,505	87,000		87,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		507,085	441,577	505,356		505,312	44
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		43,961	33,638	67,924		74,176	
4194	General Government Buildings		51,350	50,176	52,750		45,750	7,000
4195	Comasteries		53,556	53,136	81,888		65,388	16,500
4196	Insurance		1,328,010	1,248,595	1,374,080		1,367,913	6,167
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.							
4199	Other General Government		48,000	47,879	49,500		49,500	
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	Police		2,730,067	2,602,384	2,882,750		2,893,747	
4215-4219	Ambulance							
4220-4229	Fire		2,407,625	2,323,683	2,422,388		2,419,317	3,071
4240-4249	Building Inspection		115,745	108,749	108,819		116,867	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		500		500		500	
4299	Other Public Safety (Including Communications)		20,500	16,284	20,500		20,000	500
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER								
4301-4309	Airport Operations							

Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (MSA 32.13, V)	MFA Act #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DMA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS ENDSING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENDING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
HIGHWAYS & STREETS								
4311-4312	Admin., Highways & Streets		1,538,210	1,574,222	1,488,694		1,455,217	33,477
4313	Bridges							
4316	Street Lighting		156,800	161,526	163,972		163,972	
4319	Other							
SANITATION								
4321-4323	Admin. & Solid Waste Collection		1,655,662	1,499,572	1,710,716		1,697,913	12,803
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		754,394	723,805	752,641		752,041	600
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Savage Collection & Disposal & Other		122,775	153,234	117,775		117,775	
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331-4332	Admin. & Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation & Other							
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin. & Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maint.							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH AND WELFARE								
4411-4414	Admin. & Pest Control		91,171	83,461	92,780		90,080	2,700
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other		90,905	90,905	90,305		91,505	
4441-4442	Admin. & Direct Assistance		105,121	100,662	110,264		110,264	

Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 212,V)	Net Act	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DMA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		224,840	194,844	251,220		249,240	1,980
4550-4559	Library		548,234	512,616	571,416		571,416	
4583	Patriotic Purpose		1,200	1,200	1,200		1,200	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		3,000	2,811	500		500	
CONSERVATION								
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources		3,960	3,960	6,600		6,600	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		1					
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		888,226	888,226	870,496		870,496	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		676,000	675,715	610,611		610,611	
4723	Interest on TANs		50,000		36,500		36,500	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		12,000	11,869				
4903	Buildings		35,462	36,095				

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Winn. Rd. Lift Stat.	12			1,400,000		1,400,000	
	Highway Capital Res.	16			350,000			350,000
	Ambulance	19			125,000		125,000	
	Police Facility Plans	28			30,000		30,000	
	Laws of Life	29			25,000		25,000	
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended								

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	Bank Building	14			689,220		689,220	
	Elevator & Sprinkler	15			120,000		120,000	
	Whites Lane	18			185,000		185,000	
	odor Control	20			100,000			100,000
	CBA - Firefighters	21			64,468		64,468	
	CBA - Fire Sup.	22			28,139		28,139	
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended								

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Cemetery Expansion	30			16,500		16,500	
	Salt Marsh Restor.	31			15,000		15,000	
	Parade	32			2,500		2,500	
	Disability Coverage	33			10,000			10,000
	Cons Comm. .03 onTax	34			35,700			35,700
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended								

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	CBA - DPW	23			69,602		69,602	
	CBA- Police	24			64,315		64,315	
	CBA - Police Sup.	25			12,170		12,170	
	CBA - Teamsters Planner	26 27			34,652 53,000		34,652	53,000
	MIS - Wide Area Net.	37			15,500		15,500	
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended								

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Beach Infrastructure	35			46,369		46,369	
	Cemetery Burial Trust	36			18,275		18,275	
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended					2,038,644		1,678,644	

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Highland Avenue	17			245,000		245,000	
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended					1,681,066		1,528,066	

Year 1998

Budget - Town of HAMPTON

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE Ensuuing Year
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		6,500	5,882	
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes		515	614	550
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		255,525	270,215	248,200
	Inventory Penalties				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		20,600	18,560	20,100
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,750,500	1,897,160	1,825,500
3230	Building Permits		95,000	117,731	100,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		8,500	9,592	8,500
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				6,385
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues		66,872	66,999	66,872
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		138,901	138,901	138,901
3353	Highway Block Grant		196,440	196,440	196,440
3354	Water Pollution Grant		180,428	180,428	158,421
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		551,558	557,920	800,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		30,000	29,486	30,000
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments		852,524	922,687	876,623
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		90,280	88,212	94,762
3502	Interest on Investments		160,000	221,024	185,000
3503-3509	Other		365,222	416,336	407,494
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		16,700	18,275	18,275

Year 1998

Budget - Town of HAMPTON

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				15,500
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		807,004	826,115	832,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				1,400,000
Amounts VOTED From Fund Balance ("Surplus")					
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			1,129,147	1,129,147	600,000
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS			6,722,216	7,111,724	8,029,523

BUDGET SUMMARY

	SELECTMEN	BUDGET COMMITTEE
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 4)	15,270,491	15,203,108
SUBTOTAL 2 Special warrant articles Recommended (page 5))	2,038,644	1,678,644
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" warrant articles Recommended (page 5)	1,681,066	1,528,066
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	18,990,201	18,409,818
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	7,318,444	8,029,523
Estimated Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	11,671,757	10,380,295

(REV.1997)

Municipal Calendar

JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1)	2)	3)
4)	5) 7:30 Selectmen	6)	7)7:00 Planning	8)	9)	10)
11)	12) 7:30 Selectmen	13)Last day for petition articles	14)P.Hearing Zoning Changes	15)7:00 Zoning Board	16)	17)
18)	19) Civil Rights Day	20)	21)7:00 Planning	22)	23)	24)
25)	26) 7:30 Selectmen	27) 7:00 Conservation	28)7:00 Recreation	29)	30) Last day to file for office	31) Town Meeting 8:30 AM

FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1)	2) 7:30 Selectmen	3)	4)7:00 Planning	5)	6)	7)
8)	9) 7:30 Selectmen	10)	11)	12)	13)	14)
15)	16) 7:30 Selectmen	17)	18)7:00 Planning	19)7:00 Zoning	20)	21)
22)	23) 7:30 Selectmen	24)7:00 Conservation	25)7:00	26)	27)	28)

MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1)	2)7:30 Selectmen	3)	4)Planning	5)	6)	7)
8)	9) 7:30 Selectmen	10)Town Balloting	11)7:00 Heritage	12)	13	14)
15)	9) 7:30 Selectmen	16)	17)7:00 Planning	18)7:00 Zoning	19)	20)
21)	22)7:30 Selectmen	23)	24) 7:00 Recreation	25)	26)	27)
29)	30) 7:30 Selectmen	31) 7:00 Conservation				

APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1)7:00 Heritage	2)	3)	4)
5)	6) 7:30 Selectmen	7)	8)7:00 Planning	9)	10)	11)
12)	13) 7:30 Selectmen	14)	15)	16)7:00 Zoning	17)	18)
19)	20)7:30 Selectmen	21)	22)7:00 Planning	23)	24)	25)
26)	27) 7:30 Selectmen	28) 7:00 Conservation	29)7:00 Recreation	30)		

MAY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1)	2)
3)	4) 7:30 Selectmen	5)	6)7:00 Planning	7)	8)	9)
10)	11) 7:30 Selectmen	12)	13)	14)7:00 Zoning	15)	16)
17)	18) 7:30 Selectmen	19)	20)7:00 Planning	21)	22)	23)
24)/ 31	25) 7:30 Memorial Day	26) 7:00 Conservation	27)7:00 Recreation	28)	29)	30)

JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1)	2)	3)7:00 Planning	4)	5)	6)
7)	8) 7:30 Selectmen	9)	10)7:00 Heritage	11)7:00 Zoning	12)	13)
14)	15) 7:30 Selectmen	16)	17)7:00 Planning	18)7:00 Zoning	19)	20)
21)	22)7:30 Selectmen	23)7:00 Conservation	24) Recreation	25)	26)	27)
28)	29) 7:30 Selectmen	30)				

JULY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1)7:00 Heritage	2)	3) Closed	4) 4th of July
5)	6) 7:30 Selectmen	7)	8)7:00 Planning	9)	10)	11)
12)	13) 7:30 Selectmen	14)	15)	16)7:00 Zoning	17)	18)
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AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1)
2)	3) 7:30 Selectmen	4)	5)7:00 Planning	6)	7)	8)
9)	10) 7:30 Selectmen	11)	12)7:00 Heritage	13)7:00 Zoning	14)	15)
16)	17)7:30 Selectmen	18)	19)7:00 Planning	20)	21)	22)
23)	24) 7:30 Selectmen	25) 7:00 Conservation	26)7:00 Recreation	27)	28)	29)
30)	31)					

SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1)Labor Day	2)	3)	4)	5)
6)	7) 7:30 Selectmen	8)	9)Planning	10)	11)	12)
13)	14) 7:30 Selectmen	15)	16)	17)7:00 Zoning	18)	19)
20)	21)7:30 Selectmen	22)7:00 Conservation	23)7:00 Planning	24)	25)	26)
27)	28) 7:30 Selectmen	29) Recreation	30)			

OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1)	2)	3)
4)	5) 7:30 Selectmen	6)	7)	8)	9)	10)
11)	12) 7:30 Selectmen	13)	14) 7:00 Planning	15) 7:00 Zoning	16)	17)
18)	19) 7:30 Selectmen	20)	21)	22)	23)	24)
25)	26) 7:30 Selectmen	27) 7:00 Conservation	28) 7:00 Recreation	29)	30)	31)

NOVEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1)	2) 7:30 Selectmen	3)	4) 7:00 Planning	5)	6)	7)
8)	9) 7:30 Selectmen	10)	11)	12) 7:00 Zoning	13)	14)
15)	16) 7:30 Selectmen	17)	18) 7:00 Planning	19)	20)	21)
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DECEMBER

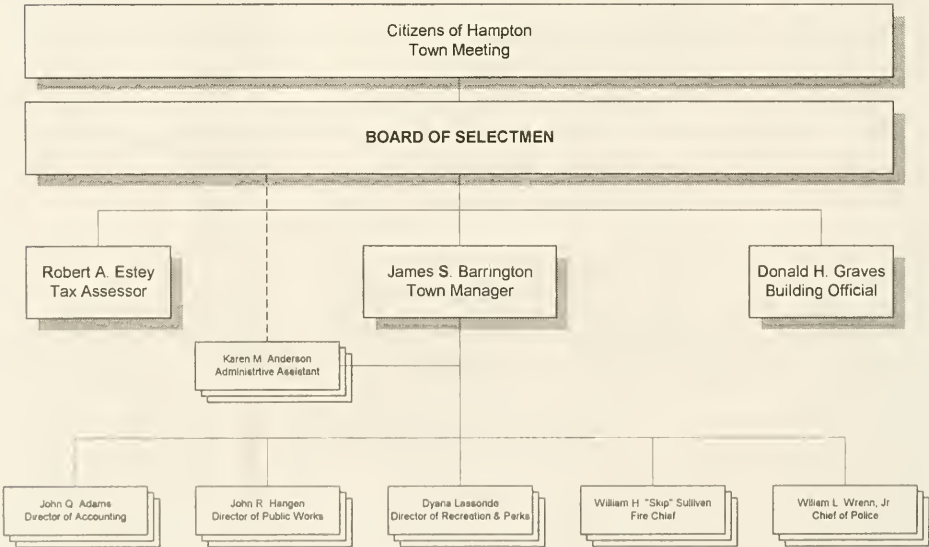
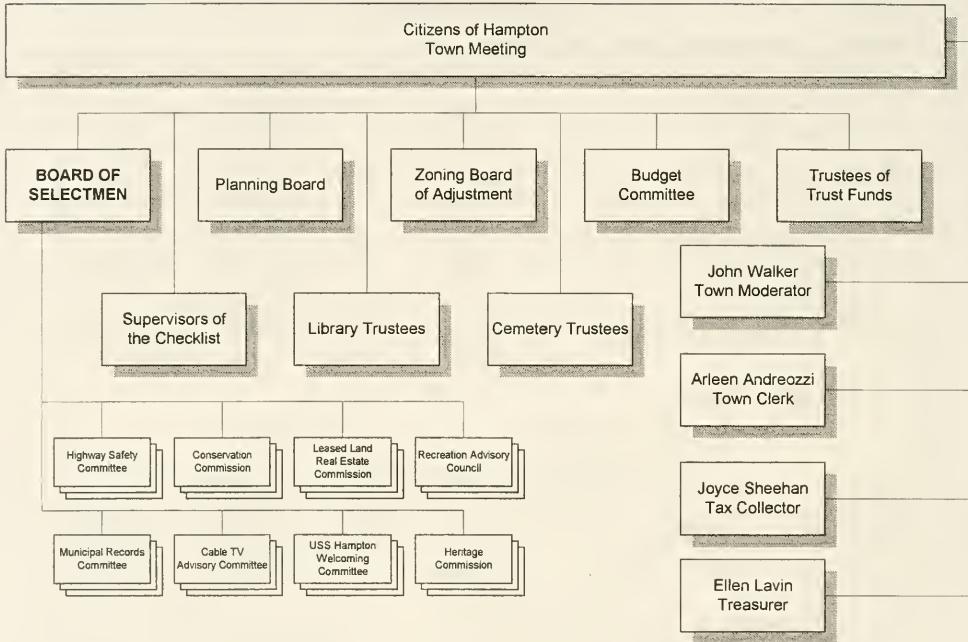
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN BUILDINGS

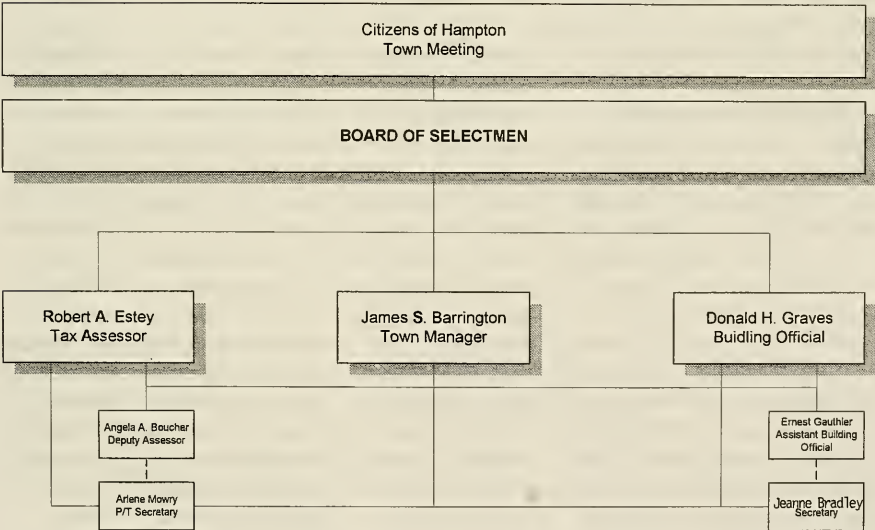
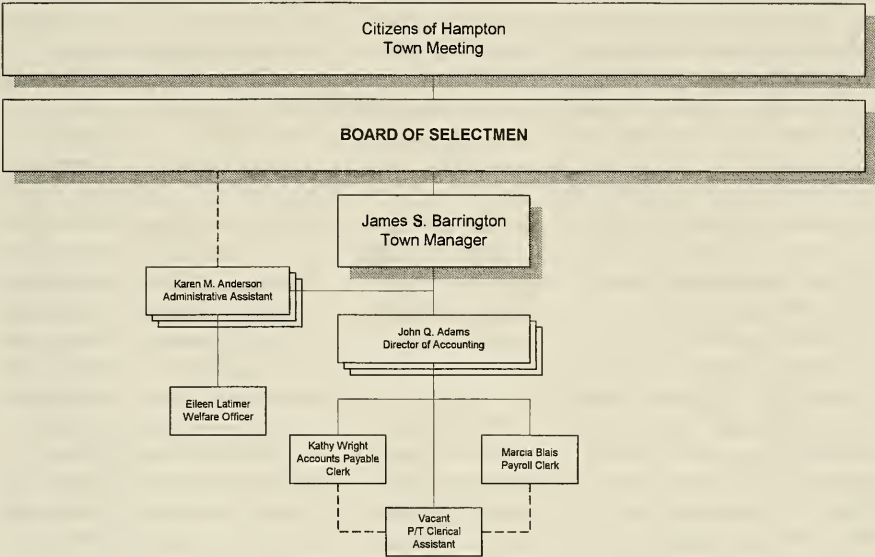
Municipal structures covered by the New Hampshire Municipal Association -
Property Liability Insurance Trust, Inc.

	<u>Total Insured Value</u>
Town Office	\$ 458,800
Fire Station	477,800
Police Station	562,800
Courthouse	88,000
Locker House	35,000
Lane Library	2,178,700
Grist Mill	18,000
Cemetery Building	58,000
 Public Works	
Garage and Office	\$1,306,612
Storage Shed	4,200
Shed	10,000
Shed	3,200
Salt Shed	11,000
 Wastewater Treatment Plant:	
Secondary Building	\$1,000,000
Primary Building	300,000
Headworks Building	400,000
Influent Pump Station	166,816
Pump Station - Tide Mill Road	413,000
Pump Station - Church Street	305,000
Pump Station - Falcone Circle	296,000
Pump Station - Maplewood Avenue	40,000
Pump Station - Merrill Industrial Drive	40,000
Pump Station - High Street (West)	40,000
Pump Station - High Street (East)	40,000
Pump Station - Kings Highway	40,000
Pump Station - Vanderpool Drive	40,000
 Total:	 \$8,373,528

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DATE	NAME OF CHILD	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME	PLACE BORN
01-02-97	Bailey Scott Weakley	Jeffrey S. Weakley	Deborah Ayer	Exeter
01-04-97	Kerin Leigh Grewal	Narotam Grewal	Gail E. Garrison	Portsmouth
01-06-97	Aundrew Vanderpool	Walter Vanderpool	Renee Sutherland	Exeter
01-18-97	Matthew John Troiano	John P. Troiano	Jennifer Clemons	Portsmouth
01-19-97	Patrick Todd Fitzgerald	Frank T. Fitzgerald	Suzanne E. Jagoe	Exeter
01-20-97	Colby Fox Chaffin	Randall L. Chaffin	Diann M. Cail	Exeter
01-22-97	Aaron Fredrick Gareau	Louis E. Gareau	Katherine Croker	Portsmouth
01-24-97	Thomas Chace Dumont	Michael Dumont	Lisa Sherman	Portsmouth
01-24-97	Ann Mary McCarthy	Brian R. McCarthy	Judith Ann Keenan	Portsmouth
01-24-97	Nelson Santiago Perez	Nelson L. Santiago	Ivelisse PerezPereira	Portsmouth
01-25-97	Harrison James Prescott	Peter R. Prescott	Coleenann Connor	Portsmouth
01-28-97	Sarah E. Bramlitt	Robert L. Bramlitt	Elizabeth C. Ferrick	Portsmouth
02-03-97	Mitchell A. Hersey	Todd A. Hersey	Therese L. Horshok	Portsmouth
02-13-97	Noah Thomas Dwyer	Thomas Dwyer, Jr.	Tracy Ann Foster	Portsmouth
02-16-97	Elliot Sheridan Wing	C.J. Wing	Stephanie Sheridan	Portsmouth
02-24-97	Connor J. McNamara	Timothy McNamara	Ann R. McNamee	Exeter
02-28-97	Tyler Ashton Murray	David C. Murray	Anne Miller Hackett	Exeter
03-06-97	Michael Joseph Cyr	Mark Daniel Cyr	Mary Jane Dignon	Exeter
03-06-97	Nicholas P. McDonald	Peter McDonald	Elizabeth A. Lagios	Portsmouth
03-12-97	Michael Scott Filiault	Scott E. Filiault	Carole Jane Gannon	Exeter
03-14-97	Alex Joseph Morse	Joseph W. Morse	Laura M. Stoessel	Portsmouth
03-18-97	Olivia K. Latourneau	R. Letourneau, Jr.	Maria K. Zoukis	Manchester
03-20-97	Mark Paul Kling	Paul K. Kling	Christine Nastasia	Dover
03-20-97	Jessica Christine Kling	Paul K. Kling	Christine Nastasia	Dover
03-25-97	Bridgette M. Hartley	Daniel R. Hartley	Leslie Ellen Craig	Portsmouth
04-01-97	Meghan C. Vogel	Paul W. Vogel	Justine Lynn Scaturro	Exeter
04-16-97	Ann Irene Sheehy	James Sheehy	Rosemary Dooda	Exeter
04-22-97	Lauren E. Kacmarcik	Robert Kacmarcik	Tracie Marie Clarke	Exeter
04-24-97	Matthew Joseph Incao	Robert J. Incao	Michele Delvacchio	Portsmouth
04-26-97	Catherine A. Kennedy	David A. Kennedy	Maureen C. Madden	Exeter
04-28-97	Nicholas Robert Dunn	Raymond P. Dunn	Linda C. Greim	Portsmouth
04-29-97	Rayven Star Buckley	John F. Buckley	Sharon Lee Russell	Exeter
04-30-97	Dylan Mark Wright	Mark K. Wright	Vicki Belle Munroe	Portsmouth
05-04-97	Zalaan Khan Ishaq	Mohammad Ishaq	Farkhanda Zeb	Exeter
05-08-97	Dane James Cline	David Fain Cline	Sherri McLaughlin	Portsmouth
05-10-97	Nathaniel F. Stewart	Kevin P. Stewart	Sara A. Fieldhouse	Portsmouth
05-19-97	Timothy J. Donnelly	Kurt J. Donnelly	Tracie Ann Hastings	Exeter
05-20-97	Danielle Lynn Egeland	Clint G. Egeland	Donna M. Tuholski	Portsmouth
05-27-97	Courtney Rose Lamers	Andrew J. Lamers	Rosemary McKeon	Portsmouth
05-28-97	Kathryn Marie Pickett	Andrew J. Pickett	Susan Joanne Senay	Exeter
06-05-97	Karl William Wieck	James M. Wieck	Kimberly Lynehan	Exeter
06-05-97	Marjorie R. Baskerville	Robert Baskerville	Robin Beth Giles	Exeter
06-12-97	Meagan E. Keohane	Peter L. Keohane	Barbara Palazzolo	Portsmouth
06-12-97	Anthony J. Hemphill	Jason L. Hemphill	Mary Ann Derico	Exeter

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06-12-97	Robert James Belanger	Paul J. Belanger	Gay Ann White	Exeter
06-13-97	Connor James Duffy	Daniel M. Duffy	Lorene Elaine Jones	Portsmouth
06-15-97	Kyle Joseph Harrington	Timothy Harrington	Donna Louise Testa	Exeter
06-18-97	Jonathan W. Currier	Christopher Currier	Kathleen Marie Ray	Exeter
06-19-97	Michael Tyler Nastasia	Matthew Nastasia	Elizabeth Savramis	Exeter
07-02-97	Shaun Michael Bradley	Michael Bradley	Maureen L. Walsh	Portsmouth
07-09-97	Jacob Lee Whicker	Brian Whicker	Heidi Lee Fennig	Portsmouth
07-14-97	John Gordon Wilusz	Wayne C. Wilusz	Wendy F.Cheney	Exeter
07-15-97	Christian Joseph Larosa	Philip Larosa	Julie Lynn Young	Exeter
07-20-97	Benjamin R. Gleason	George G. Gleason	Pamela Sue Stubbs	Exeter
07-22-97	Ryan Joseph Woody	Joseph P. Woody	Delia P. Dumaine	Portsmouth
07-28-97	Robert H. Warren	Martin H. Warren	Carla Jean Reeves	Portsmouth
08-04-97	Joelle Marie Casey	Shawn P. Casey	Brenda L. Bridges	Portsmouth
08-14-97	Kyle Arthur Day	Charles A. Day	Robin Ann Waldorf	Exeter
08-20-97	Theresa E. Duhamel	James A. Duhamel	Judith A. McLean	Exeter
08-20-97	Samantha Waterhouse	Jeffrey Waterhouse	Amy E. Kadish	Portsmouth
08-22-97	Jonathan R. Carrigan	Karl P. Carrigan	Colleen M.Westcott	Exeter
08-22-97	Dalton I. Harriman	Michael Harriman	Nicole Merchant	Portsmouth
08-25-97	Jack A. Haraden	Steven Haraden	Karen A. Corcoran	Portsmouth
08-26-97	Olivia P. Marciano	Mark S. Marciano	Kelly Jean Powers	Portsmouth
08-28-97	Colby A. Gould	Patrick Duff Gould	Bridget L. Anderson	Portsmouth
09-01-97	Caroline P. Hernon	Michael C. Hernon	Joanne Mary Arpin	Portsmouth
09-06-97	Laura Elaine Barclay	Alan Gould Barclay	Lynni K. Traut	Exeter
09-06-97	Lydia Joyce Sack	Lary Gilbert Sack	Margaret E. Phair	Portsmouth
09-12-97	James Lawson Gagne	David N. Gagne	Colleen G. Lawson	Portsmouth
09-19-97	Grace Bridget Cushing	Robert R. Cushing	Kristie Ann Conrad	Exeter
09-24-97	Joshua Carter Gray	Mark Carter Gray	Janet Lee Raleigh	Exeter
09-24-97	Matthew A. Dzialo	Michael J. Dzialo	Lindsay Camp Smith	Portsmouth
09-30-97	Gabrielle M. McDaniel	Justin W. McDaniel	Julie Ann Halloran	Portsmouth
10-05-97	Patrick Wyman Witt	Stephen Hunter Witt	Michelle L. Wyman	Portsmouth
10-10-97	Samantha L. Currier	Raymond A. Currier	Judith Lyn Proctor	Exeter
10-10-97	Jessica E. Eastman	Edward A. Eastman	Deborah A. Sacca	Portsmouth
10-24-97	Alex L. McAllister	Robert McAllister	Rungthiwa Naphua	Exeter
11-03-97	Evan Joseph Royer	Joseph W. Royer	Allyson M. Royer	Exeter
11-06-97	Michael R. Lewis II	Michael R. Lewis	Kathleen M. Jones	Exeter
11-11-97	Haylee Nicole Hansen	Craig Dana Hansen	Bernice L. Hansen	Exeter
11-15-97	Jonathan A. Aslin	Steven Paul Aslin	Sharon Elaine Buck	Exeter
11-20-97	Catherine E. Casassa	Robert A. Casassa	Sara C. McCarthy	Exeter
11-28-97	Travis William Hurley	James M. Hurley Sr.	Lynn Howard	Portsmouth
12-03-97	Bayli Renee' Royal	Ricky Jon Royal	Dawna Marie Little	Exeter
12-12-97	Alexander A. Lighthall	Brad Lee Lighthall	Michele A. Donovan	Exeter

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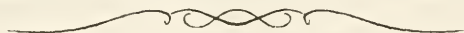
DATE	NAME	FATHERS NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN	PLACE
10-19-96	Nixon, Grace Belle	Jesse Davis	Marion White	Exeter
01-01-97	Leech, John	John Leech	Margaret Cronin	Prtsmth
01-03-97	Faro, Nellie Marie	Domenic J. Laudani	Carmela Valenti	Hampton
01-05-97	Angelone, Marie C.	Gaetano Monico	Amelia Catilo	Hampton
01-05-97	Davis, Mary	Eugene A. Davis	Fannie Scriggins	Hampton
01-11-97	Kopala, Anna Mary	Michael Stachura	Agnes Basik	Hampton
01-13-97	Kwiecinski, Robert J.	Aloysius Kwiecinski	Helen Azaravich	Exeter
01-16-97	Barlow, Kathleen D.	not stated	not stated	Hampton
01-16-97	Littlefield, Forrest F.	Eugene Littlefield	Bertha Lorendeau	Rye
01-21-97	Barry, Mary Adele	Alvin W. Puffer	Clarissa O. Meigs	Exeter
01-23-97	Farrell, William G.	Patrick Farrell	Helena A. Geroux	Hampton
01-25-97	Crawford, Gertrude	Herman Bartels	not stated	Hampton
01-26-97	Moaratty, Ruth N.	Nathaniel Morton	Lizzie Smith	Exeter
02-03-97	Vining, Harold S. Jr.	Harold S. Vining	Dorothy Perry	Exeter
02-06-97	Kelleher, William T.	Neil Kelleher	Lillian Hurd	Hampton
02-10-97	Damon, Abram D. S.	Clarence Damon	Evelyn Teachman	Hampton
02-15-97	Ware, Rose D.	Albini Fortier	Alida Tisdell	Hampton
02-16-97	McCue, Ruth Frances	George Ryan	A. Josephine Collins	Hampton
02-19-97	Testa, Thomas J.	Pasquale Testa	Civita DiRusso	Hampton
02-23-97	Carr, Caleb B.	Francis P. Carr	Barbara Warren	Maine
03-07-97	Felix, Joanne Mae	Ralph Thompson	Bernice Woodburn	Exeter
03-08-97	Knochen, Mary	Daniel Lafferty	Mary Loughrey	Hampton
03-10-97	Laframboise, Joseph	Benjamin Laframboise	Leona Duguay	Hampton
03-12-97	Shea, Florence A.	David LaFrance	Florida Hetu	Hampton
03-13-97	Pevear, Sidney H.	Harold D. Pevear	Evelyn M. Fowler	Prtsmth
03-13-97	Wise, Clinton E.	Clifford H. Wise	Ebba Peterson	Exeter
03-15-97	Clark Florence B.	Otis B. Read	Minnie MacGillivray	Rye
03-26-97	Nute, John Edward	Loren Nute	Estella Jensen	Prtsmth
03-19-97	Gregg, Edwards	Wilbur Gregg	Ellen Sharkey	Nbpt, MA
04-01-97	Bramble, Walter E.	Walter L. Bramble	Charlotte Hauseman	Prtsmth
04-04-97	Palladino, John J., Jr.	John J. Palladino	Philomena Menkello	Dover
04-04-97	Narkiewicz, Matthew	Felix Narkiewicz	Helen Pietkiewicz	Hampton
04-05-97	Savage, Elaine I.	James Edmonds	Maude E. Newman	Exeter
04-08-97	Cash, August Joseph	John Cash	Mary Vicari	Hampton
04-13-97	Robertson Bernard, Jr.	Bernard M. Robertson	Avis Irene Jones	Exeter
04-14-97	Hedman, Ianthe R.	Shurbin Hawbolt	Minnie Baily	Hampton
04-15-97	Timson, Priscilla	John H. Davis	Caroline Pierson	Hampton
04-17-97	Collake, Robyne Lee	Gerald Evans	Helen Pinkham	Hampton
04-18-97	Ruback, Walter P.	Arnold W. Ruback	Betty Scott	Hampton
04-18-97	Bramble, Anne K.	Henry Driver	Ellen Bradeen	Exeter
04-19-97	Frankovich, Andrew J.	John Frankovich	Catherine Soxie	Manchstr
04-20-97	Annis, Richard F.	Roger A. Annis	Henen McCarthy	Hampton
04-20-97	Smith, Richard Keller	Foster Smith	Grace Keller	Exeter
04-23-97	Holihan, James P., Jr.	James P. Holihan	Mary Alice Behan	Prtsmth
04-23-97	Juster, Thurlow E.	George H. Jester	Laura J. Cropper	Exeter

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04-25-97	Saunsen, Ethel G.	Jose Antonio Barrios	Alice Higgins	Prtsmth
04-27-97	Hobson, Dale Judith	Howard Woodward	Inez Pearl Blackden	Prtsmth
04-30-97	Dignon, Margaret M.	Henry C. Traver	Elizabeth Palmatee	Hampton
04-30-97	Griffin, Joseph A.	Joseph W. Griffin	Abbie E. Whalen	Hampton
05-01-97	Shea, James Daniel, Jr.	James D. Shea	Eleanor Sullivan	Manchstr
05-13-97	Littlewood, Peter Alan	Wm. A. L. Littlewood	Marguerite Libby	Hampton
05-15-97	Trask, Richard Joseph	Thomas F. Trask	Rose Richard	Exeter
05-17-97	Marcotte, Arthur C.	Zebedee Marcotte	Adeline Vigneault	Hampton
05-19-97	Haggerty, John B.	Patrick J. Haggerty	Katherine Dineen	Prtsmth
05-21-97	Preston, Bruce	Francis S. Preston, Sr.	Doris B. Abbott	Exeter
05-22-97	Sheeche, Mary Agnes	Joseph F. Hagler	Lena Schneider	Hampton
05-29-97	Goss-Smith, Minnie M	George M. Carr	Ellen Carter	Hampton
05-29-97	Pandy, George R.	John Pandy	Martha Viso	Exeter
06-07-97	Tetler, Robert George	Frank S. Tetler	Susan B. Tillotson	Hampton
06-07-97	Cashman, Patrick J.	Dennis Cashman	Elizabeth Kennedy	Hampton
06-07-97	Johnson Raymond, Jr	Raymond Johnson	Peggy L. Galloway	Exeter
06-08-97	Brooks, Helen Agnes	John Tibbetts	Jennie Sanborn	Hampton
06-09-97	Hopkins, Donald Ross	William Hopkins	Helen Johnson	Exeter
06-09-97	Ennabe, Thomas G.	Gabriel Ennabe	Jamille Rabadi	Dover
06-13-97	Dunham Edward A.	Edward Dunham	Mary M. Stevens	Hampton
06-17-97	McClelland, Diane M.	A. Leo Creeden	Geraldine Guerin	Hampton
06-24-97	Bowen, Elwood W.	William B. Bowden	Alie Mae Claghen	Prtsmth.
06-28-97	Panaccione, Muriel T.	Henry Curll	Marguerite Smith	Hampton
06-29-97	Lesperance, Theodore	Joseph Lesperance	Helen A. Yodis	Prtsmth.
07-03-97	Seavey, Ethel Chandler	Charles C. Seavey	Bertha G. Sanborn	Hampton
07-03-97	Ford, Barbara A.	Mott Bartlett	Susan Thompson	Prtsmth
07-10-97	Pelkey, Doris E.	Elmer Donnell	Lydia E. Trafton	Prtsmth
07-11-97	Braski, Helen	Peter Kendzierski	Catherine Choman	Hampton
07-12-97	Wood, Albert Kimball	Harold A. Wood	Lucy M. Perham	Hampton
07-13-97	Seccus, Christos	Charles Seccus	Besie Despothoplous	Hampton
07-15-97	Mercurio, Anthony M.	Michael Mercurio	Carol A. Landry	Hampton
07-21-97	Huot, Bertha Marie	Leopold J. Gagne	Mary Jane Grenier	Hampton
07-27-97	Kearns, Evangeline K.	Joseph F. Kearns	Katherine Bailey	Hampton
08-03-97	Mitchell, George C.	Charles Mitchell	Albena Aubuchont	Hampton
08-06-97	Drake, Robert E.	Caleb Drake	Caroline Rossner	Hampton
08-11-97	Lomazzo, Philip L.	Antonio Lomazzo	Anna Bonvino	Exeter
08-15-97	Davis, Marion Frances	Walter L. Davis	Ella G. McAinsh	Exeter
08-23-97	Mulready, James C.	John F. Mulready	Mary C. O'Connor	Hampton
08-26-97	Gough, Raymond H.	William Earl Gough	Emma Neiberger	Hampton
08-06-97	Drake, Robert Ernest	Caleb J. Drake	Caroline Rossner	Prtsmth
09-08-97	Gilbert, Thelma J.	Arthur Denson	Edna Ellis	Exeter
09-10-97	Deveau, Joseph A.	Thomas Deveau	Olive LeBlanc	Exeter
09-11-97	VonBlomberg, Antoine	Antoine Ozbolt	Marija Sebalg	Hampton
09-15-97	Wessell, H. Blake	Junia Blake	Florence Shand	Hampton
09-17-97	Dedes Katherine	Nicholas Katsanikos	Angeline Economos	Hampton

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09-18-97	Davichik, Peter	John Davichik	Anna Stankus	Hampton
09-19-97	Jeans, Katherine D.	Frederick L. Maloney	Katherine A. Guard	Exeter
10-05-97	Poulin, Beverly May	Louis Pooler	Yvonne Violette	Concord
10-09-97	McCrary, Charles M.	Robert R. McCrary	Elsie S. Mason	Hampton
10-19-97	Vanderpool, Audrey	Prescott Peabody	Eliza E. Collier	Hampton
10-21-97	Hamilton, Lucille A.	Alfio Finocchiaro	Concetta Nicolosi	Hampton
10-21-97	Hanscom,Isabell C.	Truman Barnaby	Alice Thorpe	Hampton
10-23-97	Lyden, Jacqueline C.	Nathaniel G. Crosby	Sabrina P.M. Gazotti	Prtsmith
11-01-97	Young, Douglas Allen	Kenneth D. Young	Judith A. Allen	Concord
11-03-97	Hoppe,Harriet Agnes	Frederick J. Fedder	Martha May Dick	Exeter
11-05-97	Fernald,Rosetta C.	Arthur B. Clough	Rose J. O'Neil	Hampton
11-08-97	Draper, Gladys May	Richard C. Cuddihy	Esther Sawyer	Hampton
11-09-97	Stevens, Persephone	Dimitrious Vourgeoz	Archondoula	Hampton
11-14-97	Matchmaker, Joseph L	Thomas Matchmaker	Emily Mahon	Exeter
11-17-97	King,Helen Quance	Frank W. Gowell	Nettie L. Quance	Hampton
11-18-97	Raymond, Marcel R.	Adjutor Raymond	Anne M. Tremblay	Brentwood
11-21-97	Pitre, Lydia	Alfred Ouellette	Marianne Soucier	Hampton
11-28-97	True, Ruth Steele	George Thompson	Annie Mabel Currier	Exeter
11-28-97	Richards, Myrtle Anne	Simon Kingston	Margaret Kingston	Hampton
11-30-97	Boudreau,Joseph E.W.	Ernest Boudreau	Eliosa Bergeron	Exeter
12-04-97	Brown, Lewis W.	Maurice F. Brown	Helen C. Caraway	Hampton
12-04-97	Beyea, Alvin Edwin	John Edwin Beyea	Marion F. Saunders	Hampton
12-05-97	Costa, Kaliroy Filli	Christo Filli	Unknown	Hampton
12-06-97	Montague, Eunice S.	Emery Simm	Alfretta Keith	Hampton
12-06-97	O'Brien, Helen M.	Henry Rooney	Martha Unknown	Hampton
12-12-97	Gregory, Anthony	Frank Gregory	Dora DiNapoli	Hampton
12-12-97	Balboni, Angelina	Joseph Zirpolo	Maria Santoli	Exeter
12-13-97	Tharpe,Katherine J.	Henry Atkin	Catherine O'Brien	Hampton
12-30-97	Kenney, Dorothy	Charles Landry	Josephine Boudreau	Hampton



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DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
05-04-96	John F. Ziemba, Jr.	Hampton	Kristine M. Aboshar	Merrimack
01-01-97	Ronald J. Vermeersch	Hampton	Carol F. Peria	Hampton
01-11-97	David T. Roberts	Hampton	Nancy J. Roberts	Hampton
02-01-97	Jeffrey M. Clark	Hampton	Stacey K. Cannon	Eliot, ME
02-14-97	Richard A. Smith	Hampton	Shannon M. Fay	Hampton
02-14-97	Robert R. Hoffses	Hampton	Donna C. Curto	Hampton
02-18-97	Stanley J. Miskinis	Hampton	Carol M. Gallant	Worcester, MA
02-22-97	Ernest P. Fleisher, Jr.	Dover	Nancy K. Masini	Hampton
02-28-97	Can T. Nguyen	Canada	Hoan T. Luu	Hampton
03-01-97	Jeffrey Markowitz	Hampton	Ellen M. Marshalsea	Portsmouth
03-06-97	Curt C. Rosich	Islip, NY	Gleann Morrill	Hampton
03-08-97	James M. Metcalfe	Hampton	Margarita Valderrama	Lowell, MA
03-15-97	Steven J. Gee	Hampton	Mary C. Mancero	Newton, MA
03-22-97	James E. Barclay, Jr.	Hampton	Terry L. Crossman	Hampton
03-23-97	Yancy Bennett	Hampton	Shannon M. Hansler	Hampton
04-04-97	Sam Libovich	Hampton	Olga Bekker	Hampton
04-06-97	Jeffrey McGlashing	Hampton	Donna M. Carmody	Hampton
04-19-97	Dennis M. Jordan, Jr.	Hampton	Tazia M. Lambert	Hampton
04-22-97	Robert N. Fowler	Hampton	Jenna L. Ouellette	Hampton
04-26-97	George B. Ringer, Jr.	Hampton	Dianne J. Belanger	Hampton
04-26-97	James N. Forrestall	Hampton	Michele Cournoyer	Hampton
05-04-97	Leonard P. Hicks	Hampton	Robin L. Nichols	Hampton
05-08-97	Brad T. Conrad	Hampton	Michelle M. Paulino	Hampton
05-17-97	James McQuade, IV	Hampton	Nanette E. Mercier	Hampton
05-17-97	Jeremy Archambault	Seabrook	Betty-Ann MacDonald	Hampton
05-17-97	Dennis S. Mitchell	Hampton	Jennifer P. Jones	Amesbury, MA
05-24-97	Albert Indelicato, Jr.	Hampton	Martha J. Quinlan	Hampton
05-30-97	Joseph R. Cross	Hampton	Julie M. Russell	S. Berwick, ME
05-31-97	Steven S. Blair	Methuen, MA	Karen E. Brady	Hampton
05-31-97	George M. Rogers	Lynnfield, MA	Tara H. Singleton	Hampton
05-31-97	Scott A. Gray	Hampton	Debra J. Santomassino	Hampton
06-04-97	Larry W. Regan	Hampton	Karin S. Michel	Hampton
06-07-97	Matthew J. Mooney	Hampton	Hilary A. Carey	Hampton
06-07-97	Thomas L. Biron	Hampton	Debra C. Wear	Hampton
06-07-97	Marc P. Belliveau	Hampton	Kimberly J. Seidl	Hampton
06-14-97	Kevin L. Pagliccia	Hampton	Rebecca L. Bonser	Hampton
06-14-97	David R. Stanley	Hampton	Susan D. Comeau	Hampton
06-15-97	David A. Schmidt	W. Lebanon	Kimberly L. Foltz	Hampton
06-20-97	Jotham M. Stavish	Hampton	Leslie M. Baillargeon	Hampton
06-21-97	Scott B. Simonds	Hampton	Donna L. Kolber	W. Rxbry, MA
06-21-97	Richard J. Hoesly	Hampton	Kathleen A. Cleary	Hampton
06-28-97	William A. Hanlon II	Pinehurst, NC	Andrea J. Sovich	Hampton
06-28-97	Eric Hersey	Hampton	Lesley L. Ogden	Hampton
06-28-97	Robert D. Sproul III	Hampton	Michelle D. Nichols	Hampton
06-29-97	Peter J. Smith III	Hampton	Sheryl A. Frank	N. Hampton
06-29-97	Soterios A. Margaritis	Hampton	Pamela J. Bouffard	Hampton
07-04-97	Patrick L. MacDonald	S. Brwick, ME	Debra A. Gaeb	Hampton

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07-05-97 Michael J. Dzialo	Hampton	Lindsay C. Smith	Hampton
07-12-97 Patrick M. Mooney	Hampton	Kristy L. Walker	Hampton
07-12-97 John A. Magro, Jr.	Hampton	Lynne M. Ruscito	Hampton
07-12-97 Lawrence Trincerri, Jr.	Hampton	Jennifer L. Andreozzi	Hampton
07-17-97 Neftali Hernandez	Manhattn, NY	Sandra E. Marquina	Hampton
07-18-97 Keith J. Frye	Hampton	Sharon J. Baker	Rye
07-19-97 Kenneth C. Cain, Jr.	Hampton	Danielle E. Friel	Hampton
07-19-97 Paul G. Couture	Hampton	Karen J. Walker	Hampton
07-20-97 Michael J. Beattie	Hampton	Lori Ann Duquette	Hampton
07-20-97 C. Bradley Culkin	Latham, NY	Judith El Ward	Hampton
07-25-97 William J. Needham	Hampton	Kathleen Cleary	Hampton
07-26-97 Alan Craker	U. Kingdom	Barbara E. Hitzl	Hampton
07-26-97 Mark Daniel LePage	Hampton	Amy D. Michaud	Hudson
07-26-97 Derrick W. Hansler	Hampton	Susannah Bly	Hampton
07-27-97 David D. Viscosi	Hampton	Alison M. Anthony	Manchester
07-30-97 Moustafa H.A.M.Aly	Hampton	Holly A. Mandigo	Hampton
08-02-97 Edward E. Lang	Hampton	Kathryn L. Morris-Eaton	W Nwbry ,MA
08-02-97 Donald M. McGrail, Jr.	Hampton	Barbara A. Perkins	Hampton
08-02-97 Donald G. Mooers, Jr.	Hampton	Donna Jean Taylor	Hampton
08-02-97 Terry E. Nannie, Jr.	Hampton	Julie K. Peterson	Hampton
08-09-97 Steven K. Barrett	Hampton	Elizabeth Bradstreet	Hampton
08-09-97 Ricky Leonard King	CollgeSta, TX	Lori Dawn Joyner	Hampton
08-09-97 David A. Friend	Hampton	Wendi Leigh Burnett	Hampton
08-09-97 Steven D. Mac Donald	Hampton	Charlene M. Willey	Hampton
08-11-97 Shawn P. Merchant	Hampton	Amy L. Cook	Hampton
08-15-97 Cris C. Hersom	Hampton	Catherine Foustoukos	Hampton
08-16-97 John C. Valentine	Hampton	Shawn L. Sandberg	Hampton
08-16-97 Eric A. Lamontagne	Hampton	Patricia J. Lastowski	Hampton
08-23-97 James P. Sweeney	Hampton	Kathleen A. Ligus	Hampton
08-30-97 Christopher P. Taylor	Hampton	Therese C. Leveille	Hampton
09-06-97 Richard E. Davidson	Hampton	Janice R. Guarente	Hampton
09-06-97 Bruce M. Hermanson	Hampton	Carole M. Eanes	Hampton
09-12-97 John J. Spatafora	Hampton	Tiffany Ann Brennan	Hampton
09-13-97 Robert J. Carlson	Hampton	Margaret M. Connolly	Hampton
09-14-97 Jeffrey K. Joyner	Hampton	Kara M. Trainor	Hampton
09-19-97 Chris. A. Schumacher	Hampton	Patricia L. Schilling	Hampton
09-20-97 Philip J. Streeter, Jr.	Kingston	Tara P. Hill	Hampton
09-20-97 Glenn L. Joiner	Hampton	Sheila L. Skoglund	Hampton
09-20-97 Michael Fortier	Hampton	Jody L. Sweetser	Hampton
09-21-97 George F. Rawnsley	Hampton	Ann M. Sartorelli	Hampton
09-23-97 Ronald A. Curran	Ames., MA	Leanne J. Jaskiel	Hampton
09-27-97 Paul F. Ignaszak	Hampton	Debra L. Sutcliffe	Worcester, MA
09-27-97 Raymond D' Ambrosia	Hampton	Julie M. Martin	Hampton
09-27-97 Edward F. Higson	Hampton	Linda M. Harrison	Hampton
09-28-97 David H. Leblanc	Hampton	Linda S. Oleniak	Hampton

MARIAGES TO HAMPTON RESIDENTS IN 1997

09-28-97 Mark R. Dewyngaerdt	Hampton	Lori R. Carter	Hampton
09-30-97 Richard J. Savastano	Hampton	Janet Rogers	Hampton
10-04-97 Carlos J. C. Rovira	France	Leslie C. McCollester	Hampton
10-04-97 Ross P. Waterhouse	Hampton	Donna M. Moxham	Hampton
10-11-97 Dennis J. Fowler, Jr.	Hampton	Erika Szabados	Hampton
10-11-97 John T. Duffy	Kittery, ME	Victoria L. Greenleaf	Hampton
10-12-97 Craig H. Hammond	Hampton	Lisa D. Doyle	Hampton
10-13-97 Stephen D. Cole	Hampton	Nanci J. LaPlante	Hampton
10-18-97 Thomas Laszewski	Hampton	Dana M. Garofalo	Hampton
10-25-97 Bruce F. Kawa	Hampton	Patricia J. Sannizzaro	Hampton
10-31-97 Richard A. Ricardo	Hampton	Wanda C. Wilson	Hampton
11-01-97 Dennis W. R. Dobson	Hampton	Louise M. Palmer	Hampton
11-01-97 Artis P. Purdie II	Hampton	Elena M. Frazier	Hampton
11-01-97 Roger N. Maxfield, Sr.	Hampton	Grace N. Murphy	Hampton
11-02-97 John J. McNamara, Jr.	Hampton	Sandra J. Poole	Hampton
11-09-97 David T. Curtis	Hampton	Rita J. Gauthier	Seabrook
11-19-97 Jeffrey Catalano	Hampton	Elise Lachance	Hampton
12-12-97 Kenneth Kolifrath	Hampton	Jennifer Joyce	Hampton



TOWN OF HAMPTON
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

P R I N C I P A L				I N C O M E					
FIRST FUND'S DEPOSIT NAME	FUND'S PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED*	BEGINNING BALANCE	NEW FUNDS & GAINS	ENDING BALANCE	BEGINNING BALANCE	YEAR'S INCOME	EXPENDED FOR 1996	ENDING BALANCE
Poor Funds:									
1871 J.P. Towle	Poor	{ Common Fund \$ lp + 2P	2,000.00	\$	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 0.54	\$ 6.26	\$ 6.26	0.54
1891 J.P. Towle	"Water"	Com.Fund 2P	100.00		100.00	0.00	2.52	2.52	0.00
1898 J.P. Robinson	Poor	Com.Fund 1P	1,000.00		1,000.00	0.31	0.00	0.00	0.00
1903 S.J. Shaw	Poor	Com.Fund 1P	500.00		500.00	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.15
1924 H.A. Cutler	Poor	Com.Fund 2P	180.75		180.75	0.00	4.53	4.53	0.00
TOTALS - Poor Funds -			3,780.75		3,780.75	1.00	13.31	13.31	1.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds:									
1891-1954 (Various)	Cem.P.C.	Com.Fund 1C	4,750.00		4,750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1971-1986 (Various)	Cem.P.C.	Com.Fund 2C	20,800.00		20,800.00	5,500.48	1,188.35	1,419.50	5,269.33
TOTALS - Cemetery P.C. Funds -			25,550.00		25,550.00	5,500.48	1,188.35	1,419.50	5,269.33
Library Funds:									
1933 L.A. Lane	Library	Com.Fund 1L	500.00		500.00	0.00	24.94	24.94	0.00
1936 I.M. Lane	Library	Com.Fund 1L	500.00		500.00	0.00	24.94	24.94	0.00
1916 A.C.W.Currier	Dearborn Bn.	HNB Bond	2,000.00		2,000.00	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.26
1966 S.B. Lane	Library	BNH CD	2,500.00		2,500.00	0.28	128.52	128.52	0.28
1966 H.G. Lane	C.T.Library	BNH CD	4,136.24		4,136.24	0.46	206.59	206.59	0.46
TOTALS - Library Funds -			9,636.24		9,636.24	1.00	384.99	384.99	1.00
Campbell Sports Scholarship Fund:									
1991 Irving Campbell	Children	BNH CDs&Savs.	3,767.16	100.00	3,867.16	249.58	204.60	97.35	356.83
Capital Reserve Funds:									
1983 HB Vil.Dist.	Cap.Expendts	Ports.Savs.Bk.	5,155.55		5,155.55	3,461.45	451.98	0.00	3,913.43
1995 Town Fire	Fire/Rescue	BNH CD	22,898.14		22,898.14	2,133.37	1,284.14	0.00	3,417.51
1988 Cem.Burial	Revenue/CRF	BNH CDs&Mkt.	137,773.13	16,700.00	154,473.13	7,327.36	8,828.43	12,260.08	3,895.71
1997 Town Computers	Technology	BNH CD	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	440.87	0.00	440.87
1996 HB Vil.Dist.	Apparatus	BNH CD	8,000.00	8,000.00	16,000.00	334.44	612.31	0.00	946.75
General Fund Trusts:									
1984 H.Real Estate	Town Rev.	Fed.Secs.+	12,591,238.43	427,877.50	13,019,115.93	0.00	840,492.51	840,492.51	0.00
GRAND TOTALS -			\$12,807,799.40	482,677.50	13,290,476.90	19,008.68	853,901.49	854,667.74	18,242.43

*HNB = Hampton National Bank (now: FDIC): \$10,000 in notes in LP, 2P, 1C, lib./Currier; no distribution rec'd. in 1997

BNH = Bank of New Hampshire (ex-lat Nat'l Bank of Ports.)

(Notes: Some Com. Funds in BNH CDs; \$14,706.97 from RETP income for bank mnngmt. fees)

Trustees
of the
Trust Funds
C. Raymond Gilmore
John J. Kelley, Sr.
R. Victor Lessard

TOWN OF HAMPTON,
NEW HAMPSHIRE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

DECEMBER 31, 1997



TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Hampton has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Hampton, as of December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of Town of Hampton taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Hampton. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

*Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association*

January 29, 1998

GENERAL PURPOSE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1997

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>General Long-Term Debt</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>						
<u>Assets</u>						
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 6,059,724	\$ 46,748	\$ 52,416	\$ 179,708	\$	\$ 6,338,596
Investments		31,908		13,867,811		13,899,719
<u>Receivables (Net of Allowances For Uncollectibles)</u>						
Interest				158,472		158,472
Taxes	1,522,387					1,522,387
Accounts	130,183					130,183
Intergovernmental	261,261		107,418			368,679
Other				2,739,946		2,739,946
Interfund Receivable	1,009,056	54,914				1,063,970
Miscellaneous Tax Liens	85,122					85,122
Miscellaneous Tax Liens						
Reserved Until Collected	(85,122)					(85,122)
Mortgage Notes Receivable				462,218		462,218
Prepaid Items	14,876					14,876
<u>Other Debits</u>						
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt					12,299,956	12,299,956
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$ 8,997,487</u>	<u>\$ 133,570</u>	<u>\$ 159,834</u>	<u>\$ 17,408,155</u>	<u>\$ 12,299,956</u>	<u>\$ 38,999,002</u>

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>(Memorandum</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Fund Types</u> <u>Trust and</u>	<u>General</u> <u>Long-Term</u>	
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>		<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Projects</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Only)</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Accounts Payable	\$ 365,542	5,611	334	6,249		377,736
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	10,604					10,604
Retainage Payable			45,559			45,559
Intergovernmental Payable	6,220,895			26,015		6,246,910
Interfund Payable	54,529		169,534	839,907		1,063,970
Escrow and Performance Deposits				76,954		76,954
Deferred Revenue	43,632					43,632
Deferred Compensation						
Benefits Payable				2,739,946		2,739,946
General Obligation Debt Payable					10,752,555	10,752,555
Accrued Landfill Postclosure Costs					725,000	725,000
Compensated Absences Payable					822,401	822,401
Total Liabilities	<u>6,695,202</u>	<u>5,611</u>	<u>215,427</u>	<u>3,689,071</u>	<u>12,299,956</u>	<u>22,905,267</u>
<u>Equity</u>						
<u>Fund Balances</u>						
Reserved For Contingencies	484,000					484,000
Reserved For Endowments				13,652,846		13,652,846
Reserved For Encumbrances	475,196					475,196
Reserved For Special Purposes			206	66,238		66,444
<u>Unreserved</u>						
Designated For						
Special Purposes		127,959				127,959
Undesignated (Deficit)	<u>1,343,089</u>	<u>(55,799)</u>	<u>(55,799)</u>			<u>1,287,290</u>
Total Equity	<u>2,302,285</u>	<u>127,959</u>	<u>(55,593)</u>	<u>13,719,084</u>		<u>16,093,735</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$ 8,997,487</u>	<u>\$ 133,570</u>	<u>\$ 159,834</u>	<u>\$ 17,408,155</u>	<u>\$ 12,299,956</u>	<u>\$ 38,999,002</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT B
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Type Expendable Trust</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>		
<u>Revenues</u>					
Taxes	\$ 23,869,142	\$ 6,535	\$	\$	\$ 23,875,677
Licenses and Permits	2,043,043				2,043,043
Intergovernmental	1,353,960	547	1,008,691		2,363,198
Charges for Services	890,518	8,071			898,589
Miscellaneous	732,498	121,658	573	1,725	856,454
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>					
Operating Transfers In	<u>838,201</u>	<u>510,784</u>	<u></u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>1,378,985</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>29,727,362</u>	<u>647,595</u>	<u>1,009,264</u>	<u>31,725</u>	<u>31,415,946</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>					
<u>Current</u>					
General Government	2,835,851	86			2,835,937
Public Safety	5,093,715				5,093,715
Highways and Streets	2,020,398				2,020,398
Sanitation	2,397,889				2,397,889
Health	175,354				175,354
Welfare	100,626				100,626
Culture and Recreation	194,130	566,057			760,187
Conservation		3,888			3,888
Debt Service	1,563,941				1,563,941
Capital Outlay	902,113		1,080,269		1,982,382
Intergovernmental	15,087,908				15,087,908
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
Operating Transfers Out	<u>540,399</u>	<u>35,500</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u>575,899</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>30,912,324</u>	<u>605,531</u>	<u>1,080,269</u>	<u></u>	<u>32,598,124</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>(1,184,962)</u>	<u>42,064</u>	<u>(71,005)</u>	<u>31,725</u>	<u>(1,182,178)</u>
<u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>3,487,247</u>	<u>85,895</u>	<u>15,412</u>	<u>25,032</u>	<u>3,613,586</u>
<u>Fund Balances (Deficit) - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 2,302,285</u>	<u>\$ 127,959</u>	<u>\$ (55,593)</u>	<u>\$ 56,757</u>	<u>\$ 2,431,408</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)
General and Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	<u>General Fund</u>		Variance
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Favorable (Unfavorable)
<u>Revenues</u>			
Taxes	\$ 23,552,893	\$ 23,869,142	\$ 316,249
Licenses and Permits	1,874,600	2,043,043	168,443
Intergovernmental	1,345,670	1,353,960	8,290
Charges for Services	815,649	890,518	74,869
Miscellaneous	622,446	732,498	110,052
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
Operating Transfers In	<u>800,060</u>	<u>838,201</u>	<u>38,141</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>29,011,318</u>	<u>29,727,362</u>	<u>716,044</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
<u>Current</u>			
General Government	2,793,589	2,846,452	(52,863)
Public Safety	5,274,437	5,055,583	218,854
Highways and Streets	1,695,010	1,736,217	(41,207)
Sanitation	2,534,776	2,391,756	143,020
Health	182,076	175,354	6,722
Welfare	105,121	100,626	4,495
Culture and Recreation	229,040	193,002	36,038
Conservation			
Economic Development	1		1
Debt Service	1,600,726	1,563,941	36,785
Capital Outlay	87,462	87,872	(410)
Intergovernmental	15,087,908	15,087,908	
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>			
Operating Transfers Out	<u>550,319</u>	<u>540,399</u>	<u>9,920</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>30,140,465</u>	<u>29,779,110</u>	<u>361,355</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and</u>			
<u>Other Financing Sources Over (Under)</u>			
<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>\$ (1,129,147)</u>	<u>(51,748)</u>	<u>\$ 1,077,399</u>
<u>Net Increase in Reserved for Contingencies</u>		<u>(317,608)</u>	
<u>Unreserved Fund Balances - January 1</u>		<u>1,712,445</u>	
<u>Unreserved Fund Balances - December 31</u>		<u>\$ 1,343,089</u>	

Annually Budgeted Special Revenue Funds			Totals (Memorandum Only)		
Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
\$	\$ 6,535	\$ 6,535	\$ 23,552,893	\$ 23,875,677	\$ 322,784
			1,874,600	2,043,043	168,443
	547	547	1,345,670	1,354,507	8,837
	8,071	8,071	815,649	898,589	82,940
66,875	121,236	54,361	689,321	853,734	164,413
<u>537,019</u>	<u>510,784</u>	<u>(26,235)</u>	<u>1,337,079</u>	<u>1,348,985</u>	<u>11,906</u>
<u>603,894</u>	<u>647,173</u>	<u>43,279</u>	<u>29,615,212</u>	<u>30,374,535</u>	<u>759,323</u>
	86	(86)	2,793,589	2,846,538	(52,949)
			5,274,437	5,055,583	218,854
			1,695,010	1,736,217	(41,207)
			2,534,776	2,391,756	143,020
			182,076	175,354	6,722
			105,121	100,626	4,495
583,234	566,057	17,177	812,274	759,059	53,215
3,960	3,888	72	3,960	3,888	72
			1		1
			1,600,726	1,563,941	36,785
			87,462	87,872	(410)
			15,087,908	15,087,908	
<u>16,700</u>	<u>35,500</u>	<u>(18,800)</u>	<u>567,019</u>	<u>575,899</u>	<u>(8,880)</u>
<u>603,894</u>	<u>605,531</u>	<u>(1,637)</u>	<u>30,744,359</u>	<u>30,384,641</u>	<u>359,718</u>
<u>\$ -0-</u>	41,642	<u>\$ 41,642</u>	<u>\$ (1,129,147)</u>	(10,106)	<u>\$ 1,119,041</u>
				(317,608)	
	<u>83,780</u>			<u>1,796,225</u>	
	<u>\$ 125,422</u>			<u>\$ 1,468,511</u>	

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EXHIBIT D
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Trust Funds
<u>Operating Revenues</u>	
Sale of Land	\$ 298,300
New Funds	16,800
Interest and Dividends	848,485
Capital Gains	<u>16,094</u>
 <u>Total Operating Revenues</u>	 <u>1,179,679</u>
 <u>Operating Expenses</u>	
Administration	14,707
Operating Transfers	839,907
Trust Income Distributions	<u>97</u>
 <u>Total Operating Expenses</u>	 <u>854,711</u>
 <u>Net Income</u>	 324,968
 <u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	 <u>13,337,359</u>
 <u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	 <u>\$ 13,662,327</u>

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EXHIBIT E
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Cash Flows
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Fiduciary <u>Fund Type</u> Nonexpendable <u>Trust Funds</u>
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</u>	
Interest and Dividends Received	\$ 867,611
New Funds Received	315,100
Cash Received From Mortgagees	110,984
Trust Income Distributions	(12,977)
Operating Transfers Out - To Other Funds	<u>(835,732)</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	444,986
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</u>	
Net Purchase of Investment Securities	<u>(437,074)</u>
<u>Net Increase in Cash</u>	7,912
<u>Cash - January 1</u>	<u>12,070</u>
<u>Cash - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 19,982</u>
 <i>Reconciliation of Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i>	
<u>Net Income</u>	<u>\$ 324,968</u>
<u>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities</u>	
Gain on Sales of Investments	(16,094)
<u>(Increase) Decrease in Receivables</u>	
Mortgages	110,984
Interest	19,126
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	1,827
Increase (Decrease) in Due To Other Funds	<u>4,175</u>
<u>Total Adjustments</u>	<u>120,018</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	<u>\$ 444,986</u>

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The Town of Hampton, New Hampshire is a municipal corporation governed by an elected 5-member Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town of Hampton (primary government), and its component units. Component units are organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable or for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based on the foregoing criteria, no other organizations are included in the Town's financial reporting entity.

B. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Town are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses, as appropriate. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements. The following fund types and account groups are used by the Town:

Governmental Fund Types

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges, and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action. The following funds are included in this fund type:

Lane Memorial Library	Beach Infrastructure
Conservation Commission	U.S.S. Hampton
Cemetery Trustees	

Capital Projects Funds - Transactions related to resources obtained and used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities not included in Enterprise Funds are accounted for in Capital Projects Funds. The Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade and Municipal Landfill Closure are included in this fund type.

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary Fund Types - These funds account for assets held by the Town as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, and other units of governments.

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The following funds are included in this fund type:

Nonexpendable Trust Fund

Town Trusts

Expendable Trust Fund

Capital Reserve

Agency Funds

Developers' Performance Bond

Deferred Compensation Plan

Account Groups

Account groups are not "funds." They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations. The Town uses the following account groups:

General Fixed Assets Account Group - General fixed assets have been acquired for general governmental purposes and have been recorded as expenditures in the fund making the expenditure. These expenditures are required to be capitalized at historical cost in a General Fixed Asset Group of Accounts for accountability purposes. In accordance with the practices followed by most other municipal entities in the State, the Town does not maintain such a record of its general fixed assets and, accordingly, a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in this financial report.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - This account group is established to account for all long-term debt of the Town.

C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Governmental, Expendable Trust and Agency Funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become both available and measurable (flow of current financial resources measurement focus). Licenses and permits, fines and forfeits, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash. General taxes, intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, and investment earnings are recorded when earned (when they are measurable and available). Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for debt service, prepaid expenses, and other long-term obligations, which are recognized when due.

All Nonexpendable Trust Funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred (flow of economic resources measurement focus).

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D. Budgetary Accounting

General Budget Policies

General governmental revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with various legal requirements which govern the Town's operations. At its annual meeting, the Town adopts a budget for the current year for the General, Lane Memorial Library, Cemetery Trustees, Beach Infrastructure and Conservation Commission Funds. Project-length financial plans are adopted for all Capital Project Funds. Except as reconciled below, budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Management may transfer appropriations between operating categories as they deem necessary, but expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations in total. All annual appropriations lapse at year-end unless encumbered.

State statutes require balanced budgets, but provide for the use of beginning unreserved fund balance to achieve that end. In the fiscal year 1997, \$1,129,147 of the beginning General Fund fund balance was applied for this purpose.

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and continuing appropriations (certain projects and specific items not fully expended at year end) are recognized, is employed in the governmental funds. Encumbrances are not the equivalent of expenditures and are therefore reported as part of the fund balance at December 31 and are carried forward to supplement appropriations of the subsequent year.

Amounts recorded as budgetary expenditures in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General and Special Revenue Funds (Exhibit C) are presented on the basis budgeted by the Town. The amounts differ from those reported in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for All Governmental and Expendable Trust Funds (Exhibit B) as follows:

	<u>General</u>
<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	
Per Exhibit C (Budgetary Basis)	\$ 29,779,110
<u>Adjustment</u>	
<u>Basis Difference</u>	
Encumbrances - December 31, 1996	1,754,648
Encumbrances - December 31, 1997	(475,196)
Encumbrances - December 31, 1996	
Not Expended	<u>(146,238)</u>
Per Exhibit B (GAAP Basis)	<u>\$ 30,912,324</u>

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E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

Cash and Investments

The Town Treasurer is required by State statute to have custody of all monies belonging to the Town and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the selectmen. The Town Treasurer shall deposit all such monies in solvent banks in the state or in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383:22. Funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver to the state treasurer as collateral security for such deposits in value at least equal to the amount of the deposit in each case.

State statutes authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to invest excess funds in obligations of the United States government, in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383:22, in savings bank deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in certificates of deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in national banks located within this state or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Any person who directly or indirectly receives any such funds or monies for deposit or for investment in securities of any kind shall, prior to acceptance of such funds, make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the town. Only securities defined by the bank commissioner as provided by rules adopted pursuant to RSA 386:57 shall be eligible to be pledged as collateral.

For financial reporting purposes, cash and equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and money market funds, as well as certificates of deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of 90 days or less.

The Town is authorized by State statute to invest Trust Funds, including Capital Reserve Funds, in obligations of political subdivisions and stocks and bonds that are legal for investment by New Hampshire savings banks except mutual funds unless the mutual funds are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, qualified for sale in the State of New Hampshire in accordance with the New Hampshire uniform securities act of the New Hampshire Secretary of State's office, and have in their prospectus a stated investment policy which is consistent with the investment policy adopted by the Trustees of Trust Funds in accordance with RSA 35:9. The Trustees may also invest trust funds in New Hampshire credit unions and in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383:22. Capital Reserve Funds must be kept in a separate account and not intermingled with other funds.

The Trustees of Trust Funds file annual reports with the New Hampshire Attorney General.

Investments are stated at cost or, in the case of donated investments, at the market value of the date of bequest or receipt.

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Receivables

Revenues for the most part are recorded when received, except for the following items for which receivables have been recorded:

- a. Tax revenue is recorded when a warrant for collection is committed to the Tax Collector. However, the Town has reserved a portion of the uncollected taxes receivable based on historical trend information relative to collectibility. This reserve totals \$207,600 at December 31, 1997.

The National Council on Governmental Accounting (NCGA), Interpretation 3, *Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes*, requires that if property taxes are not collected within 60 days after year end, the revenue is not considered an "available spendable resource" and should be deferred. An exception to the general "60-day rule" is allowed in unusual circumstances. The Town has consistently recorded the property tax revenue when levied without deferral in accordance with the "60-day rule." Since this practice of recording the property tax revenue when levied is widely recognized as being generally accepted as the prevalent practice in New Hampshire, the Town believes that such practice is a knowledgeable application of the NCGA Interpretation 3 exception and therefore Level 4 GAAP compliance may be reached. Level 4 includes "widely recognized and prevalent practices."

As prescribed by law, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes in the following year after taxes are due. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum.

If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

- b. Interest on investments is recorded as revenue in the year earned.
- c. Certain grants received from other governments require that eligible expenditures be made in order to earn the grant. Revenue for these grants is recorded for the period in which eligible expenditures are made.
- d. Various service charges are recorded as revenue for the period when service was provided. The receivables for such services are shown on the balance sheet net of an allowance for estimated uncollectibles.

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Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of normal operations, the Town has transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and fund capital outlay. The accompanying governmental and fiduciary fund financial statements reflect such transactions as transfers. To the extent that certain transactions have not been paid or received as of December 31, balances of interfund amounts receivable or payable have been recorded.

Deferred Revenue

The government reports deferred revenue on its combined balance sheet. Deferred revenue arises when a potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Deferred revenue also arises when resources are received by the government before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the government has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the combined balance sheet and revenue is recognized.

Long-Term Liabilities

General Obligation Debt - General obligation bonds, notes, capital leases, and other forms of long-term debt supported by general revenues are obligations of the Town as a whole. Accordingly, such unmatured obligations of the Town are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

Compensated Absences - Employees may accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vested benefits, which will be paid to employees upon separation from the Town's service. In Governmental Fund Types, the cost of vested benefits paid or expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported as an expenditure and fund liability of the fund. Amounts of vested or accumulated leave benefits that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the general long-term debt account group. No expenditure is reported for these amounts.

Fund Equity

The portion of fund balance which has been legally segregated for a specific future use, or which indicates that a portion is not appropriable for expenditures, is shown as reserved. The following reserves were used by the Town during the year:

Reserved for Contingencies - represents the amount management has determined is required to cover for potential property tax abatements, plus interest costs and other legal actions against the Town.

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Reserved for Endowments - represents the principal balance of Nonexpendable Trust Funds which must be held for investment purposes only.

Reserved for Encumbrances - is used to account for open purchase orders, contracts and other commitments at year end for which goods and services have not been received.

Reserved for Special Purposes - is used to account for the unencumbered balance of restricted funds. These include the uncommitted balances of bond proceeds, the Town's Expendable Trust Funds, and the income portion of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds.

F. Total Columns (Memorandum Only) on Combined Statements

Amounts in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns in the combined financial statement line items of the fund types and account groups are presented for analytical purposes only. The summation includes fund types and account groups that use different bases of accounting, includes interfund transactions that have not been eliminated and the caption "amounts to be provided," which is not an asset in the usual sense. Consequently, amounts shown in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns are not comparable to a consolidation and do not represent the total resources available or total revenues and expenditures/expenses of the Town.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Deficit Fund Balances

Project Deficit

There is a deficit of \$55,799 in the Capital Projects (Municipal Landfill Closure) Fund at December 31, 1997. This deficit arises because of the application of generally accepted accounting principles to the financial reporting for this fund. Loans authorized to finance the project are not recognized on the financial statements until issued.

B. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following governmental fund had an excess of expenditures over appropriations for the year ended December 31, 1997:

Special Revenue Fund

Lane Memorial Library

\$14,390

Overexpenditures occurred primarily due to the receipt and expenditure of unanticipated funds.

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NOTE 3 - ASSETS

A. Cash and Equivalents

The Town maintains a common bank account in which the cash balances of most funds are maintained. The common bank account is used for receipts and disbursements relating to all these funds. All time deposits are the property of the General Fund.

At year end, the Town's cash deposits categorized according to risk assumed were as follows:

Category 1 Includes deposits that are insured (Federal Depository Insurance).

Category 2 Includes deposits that are uninsured, but are collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, its trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Category 3 Includes deposits that are uninsured and uncollateralized.

	<u>Category</u>			<u>Total</u>	
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>
<u>Cash</u>					
Bank Deposits	<u>\$ 382,058</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 293,187</u>	\$ 675,245	\$ 59,086
<u>Cash Equivalents</u>					
Repurchase Agreements				<u>6,279,510</u>	<u>6,279,510</u>
<u>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>				<u>\$ 6,954,755</u>	<u>\$ 6,338,596</u>

Repurchase Agreement

Included in the Town's cash equivalents at December 31, 1997, were short-term investments in repurchase agreements issued by a local banking institution. Under these agreements, the Town will be repaid principal plus interest on a specified date which is subsequent to year end. The agreement is guaranteed/collateralized with securities held by the banking institution which exceed the amount of the agreement. To the extent that the banking institution may default on its commitment to these obligations, the Town is at risk of economic loss. Management considers this exposure to be minimal. At December 31, 1997, the Town held investments in repurchase agreements as follows:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Collateral Pledged</u> <u>Underlying Securities</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
\$6,279,510	5.05%	January 2, 1998	FHLMC	\$6,312,020

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B. Investments

Investments made by the Town are summarized below. The investments that are represented by specific identifiable investment securities are classified as to credit risk into three categories as follows:

Category 1 Includes investments that are insured or registered, for which the securities are held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name.

Category 2 Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the Town, broker, counter party's trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Category 3 Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the broker, counter party, counter party's trust department, or agent, but not in the Town's name.

Most of the Town's investments are under the management of Bank of New Hampshire, who is the Town's agent for these funds. These investments are designated as Category 3 because they are held by an agent of the bank but not in the Town's name.

	<u>Category</u>			<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>		
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 222,835	\$	\$	\$ 222,835	\$ 222,835
US Government Obligations			11,884,828	11,884,828	11,941,608
Capital Notes			10,000	10,000	
	<u>\$ 222,835</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 11,894,828</u>	\$ 12,117,663	\$ 12,164,443
Mutual Funds				<u>1,782,056</u>	<u>1,782,056</u>
<u>Total Investments</u>				<u>\$ 13,899,719</u>	<u>\$ 13,946,499</u>

C. Property Taxes

The property tax year is from April 1 to March 31 and all property taxes are assessed on the inventory taken in April of that year. The net assessed valuation as of April 1, 1997, upon which the 1997 property tax levy was based was \$1,189,765,300.

The Town subscribes to the semi-annual method of tax collection as provided for by RSA 76:15-a. Under this method, tax bills are sent on or around June 1 and November 1 of each year, with interest accruing at a rate of 12% on bills outstanding for more than 30 days.

The June 1 billing is considered an estimate only and is one half of the previous year's tax billing. The remaining balance of taxes due is billed in the fall after the State Department of Revenue Administration has calculated and approved the Town's tax rate for the fiscal year.

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In connection with the setting of the tax rate, Town Officials, with the approval of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, establish and raise through taxation an amount for abatements and refunds of property taxes, known as overlay. This amount is reported as a reduction in tax revenue and is adjusted by management for any tax reserves at year end. The property taxes collected by the Town include taxes levied for the Hampton and Winnacunnet Cooperative School Districts, Rockingham County, and Hampton Beach Village District, which are remitted to these governmental units as required by law. The ultimate responsibility for the collection of taxes rests with the Town.

As prescribed by law, within 18 months of the date assessed, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum. If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

During the current fiscal year, the Tax Collector on September 2 placed a lien for all uncollected 1996 property taxes.

Taxes receivable at December 31, 1997, are as follows:

<u>Property Taxes</u>	
Levy of 1997	\$ 1,216,825
<u>Unredeemed Taxes (under tax lien)</u>	
Levy of 1996	338,233
Levy of 1995	155,528
Levy of 1994	8,856
Levy of 1993	5,395
Levy of 1992	5,150
Less: Reserve for estimated uncollectible taxes	<u>(207,600)</u>
<u>Total Taxes Receivable</u>	<u>\$ 1,522,387</u>

D. Other Receivables

Receivables as of December 31, 1997, are as follows:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Receivables</u>				
Interest	\$	\$	\$ 158,472	\$ 158,472
Liens	85,122			85,122
Accounts	303,157			303,157
Intergovernmental	261,261	107,418		368,679
Mortgages			462,218	462,218
Due from Investment Services			2,739,946	2,739,946
Allowance for Uncollectible Amounts	<u>(258,096)</u>			<u>(258,096)</u>
<u>Net Total Receivables</u>	<u>\$ 391,444</u>	<u>\$ 107,418</u>	<u>\$ 3,360,636</u>	<u>\$ 3,859,498</u>

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Mortgage notes receivable represent loans being administered by Fleet Real Estate Funding Corporation in accordance with legislation enacted March 15, 1983, covering the sale of former leased lands within the Town of Hampton.

E. Interfund Receivables/Payables

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at December 31, 1997 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
General Fund	\$ 1,009,056	\$ 54,529
<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>		
Lane Memorial Library	385	
Conservation Commission	9,035	
Beach Infrastructure	42,957	
U.S.S. Hampton	2,537	
<u>Capital Projects Funds</u>		
Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade		114,069
Municipal Landfill Closure		55,465
<u>Trust Fund</u>		
<u>Nonexpendable</u>		
Town Trusts		839,907
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 1,063,970</u>	<u>\$ 1,063,970</u>

F. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets, errors or omissions, injuries to employees, or acts of God. During fiscal year 1997, the Town was a member of the New Hampshire Municipal Association Property-Liability Insurance Trust, Inc. and the compensation funds of the New Hampshire Workers' Compensation Fund. These entities are considered public entity risk pools, currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for member towns and cities.

The New Hampshire Municipal Association Property-Liability Trust, Inc. is a Trust organized to provide certain property and liability insurance coverages to member towns, cities and other qualified political subdivisions of New Hampshire. As a member of the NHMA Property-Liability Trust, Inc., the Town shares in contributing to the cost of, and receiving benefits from, a self-insured pooled risk management program. The membership and coverage run from July 1 to June 30. The program includes a Self-Insured Retention Fund from which is paid up to \$500,000 for each and every covered property, auto physical damage or crime loss subject to a \$1,000 deductible, and each and every covered General Liability and Public Officials Liability Loss.

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The Trust maintains, on behalf of its members, the following re-insurance policies shared by the membership for the year ended June 30, 1998.

1. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company (USF&G) Casualty Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #GC12225408800 which provides general liability and public officials liability coverage in the amount of \$1,500,000 in excess of the Trust's Self-Insured Retention for each and every loss.
2. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company (USF&G) Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #GC12224308700 which provides property and auto physical damage coverage in the amount of \$500,000 in excess of the Trust's Self-Insured Retention for each and every loss.
3. Swiss Reinsurance America Corporation Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate #2121909 which provides property and auto physical damage coverage in excess of the Trust Self-Insured Retention and the (USF&G) Property Facultative Reinsurance Certificate, up to the total property and vehicle schedule on file with the Trust for its entire membership.
4. United States Fidelity and Guaranty Corporation provides some members with higher limits of from \$1 to \$4 million in excess of the underlying \$2 million.
5. Members of the Trust also share Hartford Insurance Company Boiler and Machinery Policy #FBP-CH-2213346 which provides a \$50,000,000 limit resulting from any "one accident" subject to a \$1,000 deductible.
6. Members of the Trust also share Hartford Insurance Company Policy #83XLS QG 1903 which provides a \$51,000,000 limit resulting from Flood and Earthquake and \$7,000,000 resulting from any "one accident" for Flood in Zone A subject to a \$1,000 deductible.

Contributions paid in 1997 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, to be recorded as an insurance expense/expenditure totaled \$232,156. Additional contributions paid in 1997 for fiscal year ending June 30, 1997 totaled \$-0-. Unpaid contributions for the year ending June 30, 1998 and due in 1997 were \$-0-. Claims submitted to the Trust that have been billed to the Town for their portion of payment (i.e., deductible) as of December 31, 1997, totaled \$1,000. During October 1997, \$19,313 was returned to the Town of Hampton as its 1997 "dividend" for the years 1990 through 1995.

The Trust Agreement permits the Trust to make additional assessments to members should there be a deficiency in Trust assets to meet its liabilities. At this time, the Town foresees no likelihood of an additional assessment for any of the past years.

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Compensation Funds of New Hampshire - Workers' Compensation Fund is a Trust organized to provide statutory workers' compensation and employer's liability self-insurance coverage to member towns, cities, school districts, and other qualified political subdivisions of New Hampshire. As a member of Compensation Funds of New Hampshire - Workers' Compensation Fund, the Town of Hampton shares in contributing to the cost of and receiving benefits from a self-insured pooled risk management program. The membership and coverage runs from January 1 to December 31. The coverage is for the statutorily required workers' compensation benefits and employer's liability coverage up to \$1,000,000. The program includes a Loss Fund from which is paid up to \$375,000 for each and every covered claim.

The Trust maintained on behalf of its members the following insurance policy shared by the membership for the year ended December 31, 1997:

Aggregate reinsurance to cover total claims should they exceed the Loss Fund established by the Trust (coverage to \$5,000,000).

The Trust Agreement permits the Trust to make additional assessments to members should there be a deficiency in Trust assets to meet its liabilities. At this time, the Town foresees no likelihood of any additional assessments for any of the past years.

The Town continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including employee and public official fidelity bonds, health and accident insurance.

NOTE 4 - LIABILITIES

A. Intergovernmental Payable

Payables due other governments at December 31, 1997 include:

<u>General Fund</u>	
Hampton School District	\$ 4,512,663
Winnacunnet Cooperative School District	1,707,599
Other	<u>633</u>
<u>Total General Fund</u>	\$ 6,220,895
<u>Trust Fund</u>	
<u>Capital Reserve</u>	
Hampton Beach Village Precinct	<u>26,015</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 6,246,910</u>

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B. Deferred Revenue

General Fund

Deferred revenue of \$43,632 at December 31, 1997, consists of revenue collected in advance of the fiscal year to which it applies.

C. Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Plan Description and Provisions

The Town of Hampton participates in the New Hampshire Retirement System (System) which is the administrator of a cost-sharing multiple-employer contributory pension plan and trust established in 1967 by RSA 100-A:2 and is qualified as a tax-exempt organization under Sections 401 (a) and 501 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is a contributory, defined benefit plan providing service, disability, death and vested retirement benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Provisions for benefits and contributions are established and can be amended by the New Hampshire State Legislature. The System issues a publicly available financial report that may be obtained by writing the New Hampshire Retirement System, 4 Chenell Drive, Concord, NH 03301.

Description of Funding Policy

The System is financed by contributions from both the employees and the Town. Member contribution rates are established and may be amended by the State legislature while employer contribution rates are set by the System trustees based on an actuarial valuation. All employees except police officers and firefighters are required to contribute 5% of earnable compensation. Police officers and firefighters are required to contribute 9.3% of gross earnings. For the period January 1 through June 30, 1997, the town contributed 2.73% for police officers, 5.12% for firefighters and 3.39% for other employees. From July 1 through December 31, 1997, the rates were 3.812% for police officers, 5.822% for firefighters and 4.282% for other employees. The contribution requirements for the Town of Hampton for the years 1995, 1996, and 1997 were \$235,817, \$237,871, and \$259,605, respectively, which were paid in full in each year.

The State of New Hampshire funds 35% of employer costs for teachers, firefighters and police officers employed by the Town. The State does not participate in funding the employer cost of other Town employees. GASB Statement 24, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Grants and Other Financial Assistance" requires this amount to be reported as a revenue and expenditure in the Town's financial statements. Due to the effect of the State of New Hampshire Municipal Budget Law, this amount, \$80,892, has not been so recorded.

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Deferred Compensation Plan - The Town offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all employees, permits the employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. The plan assets and a corresponding liability to employees for deferred compensation is recorded in an agency fund. Plan assets are reported at fair market value.

The plan is administered by an independent company, and the Town remits all compensation deferred to this administrator for investment as requested by the participant employees. All compensation deferred and funded under the plan, all investments purchased and all income attributable thereto are solely the property and rights of the Town (until paid or made available to the employee or other beneficiary), subject only to the claims of the Town's general creditors. Participants' rights under the plan are equal to those of general creditors of the Town in an amount equal to the fair market value of the deferred account for each participant.

It is the opinion of Management that the Town has no liability for losses under the plan but does have the duty of due care that would be required of an ordinary prudent investor. The Town believes that it is unlikely that it will use the assets to satisfy the claims of general creditors in the future.

Postemployment Healthcare Benefits - The Town does not provide postemployment healthcare benefits except those mandated by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA). The requirements established by COBRA are fully funded by employees who elect coverage under the Act, and no direct costs are incurred by the Town.

D. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

Federal and State laws and regulations require that the Town place a final cover on its unlined landfill and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site after closure. The Town is currently in the process of closing its municipal landfill and the current expenditures related thereto are reflected in the Municipal Landfill Closure Capital Projects Fund. A liability is being recognized in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group for the future postclosure care costs of \$725,000 (Estimated \$25,000 per year for 29 years) which is based on the amount that would be paid if all services required to monitor and maintain the landfill were acquired as of December 31, 1997. However, the actual cost of postclosure care may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in landfill laws and regulations.

The Town expects to finance the postclosure care costs by General Fund Revenue.

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E. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of the Town's general long-term debt transactions for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1997:

	General Obligation <u>Debt Payable</u>	Capital Leases <u>Payable</u>	Compensated Absences <u>Payable</u>	Accrued Landfill Postclosure <u>Care Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
<i>General Long-Term Debt Account Group</i>					
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 7,461,095	\$ 11,988	\$ 854,007	\$ 750,000	\$ 9,077,090
Issued	4,179,686				4,179,686
Retired	(888,226)	(11,988)			(900,214)
Net (decrease) in Compensated absences payable			(31,606)		(31,606)
Net (decrease) In Accrued Landfill Postclosure Care Costs				(25,000)	(25,000)
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 10,752,555</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 822,401</u>	<u>\$ 725,000</u>	<u>\$ 12,299,956</u>

Long-term debt payable at December 31, 1997, is comprised of the following individual issues:

<u>Description of Issue</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate %</u>	<u>Outstanding at 12/31/97</u>
<u>General Long-Term Debt Account Group</u>					
<u>General Obligation Debt Payable</u>					
Sewer Construction Bonds	\$1,280,000	1975	2004	6.75	\$ 175,000
Sewer Bonds	\$800,000	1985	2005	7.50-8.50	320,000
Sewer Construction Bonds	\$7,800,000	1986	2006	7.50-8.50	3,510,000
Sewer Construction Loan	\$2,712,489	1995	2015	4.632	2,418,048
Multi-Purpose Note	\$425,000	1996	1999	4.83	283,333
Landfill Closure Loan	\$4,179,686	1997	2016	4.48	<u>4,046,174</u>
					<u>10,752,555</u>
<u>Compensated Absences Payable</u>					
Vested Sick Leave					637,636
Accrued Vacation Leave					<u>184,765</u>
					<u>822,401</u>
<u>Accrued Landfill Postclosure Care Costs</u>					
					<u>725,000</u>
<u>Total General Long-Term Debt Account Group</u>					<u>\$ 12,299,956</u>

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Annual Requirements To Amortize Governmental Fund Debt

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of December 31, 1997, including interest payments, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, _____	Governmental Fund Debt		
	Principal	Interest	Total
1998	\$ 870,496	\$ 610,610	\$ 1,481,106
1999	876,744	555,823	1,432,567
2000	741,608	500,257	1,241,865
2001	748,429	450,701	1,199,130
2002	755,557	400,676	1,156,233
2003-2016	<u>6,759,721</u>	<u>2,046,106</u>	<u>8,805,827</u>
Totals	<u>\$10,752,555</u>	<u>\$ 4,564,173</u>	<u>\$15,316,728</u>

All debt is general obligation debt of the Town, which is backed by its full faith and credit and will be repaid from general governmental revenues.

Bonds or Notes Authorized - Unissued

Bonds and notes authorized and unissued as of December 31, 1997 were as follows:

Per Town Meeting <u>Vote of</u> _____	<u>Purpose</u>	Unissued <u>Amount</u>
March 14, 1995	Route 1 Upgrade	\$ 2,400,000

Loans Authorized - Unissued

At the annual Town Meeting held on March 14, 1995, Article #13 authorized \$4,986,000 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, land acquisitions and/or easements for the closure of the Town of Hampton Municipal Landfill. Additionally, Article #15 authorized \$1,402,900 for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications, land acquisitions and/or easements and for the construction of sewerage and sewage treatment facilities. These articles authorized the Selectmen to participate in the State of New Hampshire Revolving Loan Program under RSA 486:14 which was established for these purposes. The Town has entered into agreements with the State of New Hampshire for the full amounts authorized.

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The Town has recorded loan proceeds of \$1,008,691 in the Municipal Landfill Closure Fund and in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Fund for the year ended December 31, 1997. This brings the total borrowed to date to \$4,179,686 for the Municipal Landfill Closure Fund and \$1,158,978 in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Fund. Loans authorized - unissued at December 31, 1997 total \$806,314 in the Municipal Landfill Closure Fund and \$243,555 in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Fund. This debt is not recorded by the Town until all loan draw downs are completed.

State Aid to Water Pollution Projects

In addition to local revenues, the "Amount To Be Provided For Retirement of General Long-Term Debt," includes the following amounts to be received from the State of New Hampshire in the form of State Aid to Water Pollution Projects:

<u>Bond Issues</u>	<u>State Aid Grant Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
\$7,800,000 Sewer Construction Bonds	C-384	\$ 372,744
\$800,000 Sewer Bonds	C-383	62,999
\$1,280,000 Sewer Construction Bonds	C-124	<u>139,545</u>
<u>Total</u>		<u>\$ 575,288</u>

Under RSA Chapter 486, the Town receives from the State of New Hampshire a percent of the annual amortization charges on the original costs resulting from the acquisition and construction of sewage disposal facilities. At December 31, 1997, the Town is due to receive the following annual amounts to offset principal debt payments:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1998	\$ 64,796
1999	64,796
2000	64,796
2001	64,796
2002	64,796
2003-2006	<u>251,308</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 575,288</u>

NOTE 5 - FUND EQUITY

A. Reservations of Fund Balances

Reserved for Encumbrances

Funds encumbered at year end were as follows:

General Fund	<u>\$ 475,196</u>
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Reserved for Special Purposes

In the Capital Projects Funds, the reserved for special purposes represents the unexpended and unobligated balance of bond funds or the interest earned thereon. These funds can only be used for the bonded purposes or, in the case of interest earned, for transfer to the General Fund if not subsequently appropriated for another purpose. Individual fund balances reserved for special purposes at December 31, 1997 were as follows:

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	
Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade	<u>\$ 206</u>

Reserve for Special Purposes

In the Trust and Agency Funds, the reserve for special purposes represents the unspent balance of the Town's Trust Funds which may be spent for the purposes specified as follows:

<u>Nonexpendable Trust Funds</u> (Income Balances)	
Cemetery	\$ 9,122
Town Needy	1
Library	1
Sports Scholarship	<u>357</u>
<u>Total Nonexpendable Trust Funds</u>	\$ 9,481
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>	
Firefighting Apparatus	\$26,316
Computer System Upgrade	<u>30,441</u>
<u>Total Capital Reserve Funds</u>	<u>56,757</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 66,238</u>

Reserved for Contingencies

In the General Fund, the reserved for contingencies, totaling \$484,000 represents the amount management has determined is required to cover for potential property tax abatements, plus interest costs and other legal actions against the Town.

Reserved for Endowments

The amount reserved for endowments at December 31, 1997 represents the principal amount of all Nonexpendable Trust Funds which is restricted either by law or by terms of individual bequests, in that only income earned may be expended.

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The principal balances of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds at December 31, 1997 are detailed as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Principal</u>
Real Estate Trust	\$13,455,539
Cemetery	180,023
Town Needy	3,781
Library	9,636
Sports Scholarship	<u>3,867</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$13,652,846</u>

B. Unreserved Fund Balances

Designated for Special Purposes

The designated for special purposes represents Special Revenue Fund balances which management intends to use in the subsequent years as follows:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	
Lane Memorial Library	\$ 64,967
Conservation Commission	21,685
Cemetery Trustees	1,424
Beach Infrastructure	37,346
U.S.S. Hampton	<u>2,537</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 127,959</u>

NOTE 6 - SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES

A. Litigation

There are various claims and suits pending against the Town which arise in the normal course of the Town's activities. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these various claims and suits will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Town, beyond the amount reserved for contingency.

B. Grants

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the Federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

*Combining and Individual Fund
Financial Statements*

*SCHEDULE A-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997*

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Over (Under) <u>Budget</u>
<u>Taxes</u>			
Property	\$ 23,290,353	\$ 23,598,313	\$ 307,960
Land Use Change	6,500		(6,500)
Yield	515	614	99
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	<u>255,525</u>	<u>270,215</u>	<u>14,690</u>
Total Taxes	<u>23,552,893</u>	<u>23,869,142</u>	<u>316,249</u>
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,750,500	1,897,160	146,660
Building Permits	95,000	117,731	22,731
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees	<u>29,100</u>	<u>28,152</u>	<u>(948)</u>
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>1,874,600</u>	<u>2,043,043</u>	<u>168,443</u>
<u>Intergovernmental Revenues</u>			
<u>State</u>			
Shared Revenue	205,773	205,900	127
Business Profits Tax	209,526	209,526	
Highway Block Grant	196,440	196,440	
Water Pollution Grants	180,428	180,428	
Other Reimbursements	<u>553,503</u>	<u>561,666</u>	<u>8,163</u>
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>1,345,670</u>	<u>1,353,960</u>	<u>8,290</u>
<u>Charges For Services</u>			
Income From Departments and Other	<u>815,649</u>	<u>890,518</u>	<u>74,869</u>
<u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u>			
Sale of Municipal Property	3,500	816	(2,684)
Interest on Investments	160,000	221,024	61,024
Rent of Property	81,200	94,824	13,624
Fines and Forfeits	30,000	48,177	18,177
Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements	254,022	254,022	
Other	<u>93,724</u>	<u>113,635</u>	<u>19,911</u>
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>622,446</u>	<u>732,498</u>	<u>110,052</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>			
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>			
Trust and Agency Funds	<u>800,060</u>	<u>838,201</u>	<u>38,141</u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>29,011,318</u>	<u>\$ 29,727,362</u>	<u>\$ 716,044</u>
<u>Unreserved Fund Balance</u>			
<u>Used To Reduce Tax Rate</u>	<u>1,129,147</u>		
<u>Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 30,140,465</u>		

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SCHEDULE A-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Encumbered From 1996	Appropriations 1997	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 1998	(Over) Under Budget
<u>Current</u>					
<u>General Government</u>					
Executive	\$	\$ 97,193	\$ 97,511	\$	\$ (318)
Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics		131,173	126,030	8,345	(3,202)
Financial Administration	479	409,761	398,135	1,890	10,215
Legal Expenses		123,500	344,873		(221,373)
Personnel Administration		507,085	441,577		65,508
Planning and Zoning		43,961	33,638		10,323
General Government Buildings		51,350	51,416		(66)
Cemeteries		53,556	53,226		330
Insurance, not otherwise allocated		1,328,010	1,241,566		86,444
Other		48,000	47,879	845	(724)
Total General Government	479	2,793,589	2,835,851	11,080	(52,863)
<u>Public Safety</u>					
Police Department	79,477	2,730,067	2,644,337	38,242	126,965
Fire Department	3,091	2,407,625	2,323,578	6,474	80,664
Building Inspection	280	115,745	109,161		6,864
Emergency Management		500			500
Other Public Safety		20,500	16,639		3,861
Total Public Safety	82,848	5,274,437	5,093,715	44,716	218,854
<u>Highways and Streets</u>					
Highways and Streets	259,524	1,538,210	1,802,872	31,307	(36,445)
Street Lighting	61,964	156,800	217,526	6,000	(4,762)
Total Highways and Streets	321,488	1,695,010	2,020,398	37,307	(41,207)
<u>Sanitation</u>					
Administration	24,142	1,222,190	1,117,406	15,775	113,151
Solid Waste Collection	58,162	433,472	440,901	4,050	46,683
Sewage Collection and Disposal	7,714	879,114	839,582	64,060	(16,814)
Total Sanitation	90,018	2,534,776	2,397,889	83,885	143,020
<u>Health</u>					
Animal Control		91,171	84,449		6,722
Health Agencies and Hospitals		90,905	90,905		
Total Health		182,076	175,354		6,722
<u>Welfare</u>					
Direct Assistance		105,121	100,626		4,495

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SCHEDULE A-2 (Continued)
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Encumbered From 1996	Appropriations 1997	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 1998	(Over) Under Budget
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>					
Parks and Recreation	1,128	227,340	189,152		39,316
Patriotic Purposes		1,200	4,666		(3,466)
Other Culture and Recreation		500	312		188
Total Culture and Recreation	<u>1,128</u>	<u>229,040</u>	<u>194,130</u>		<u>36,038</u>
<u>Economic Development</u>		<u>1</u>			<u>1</u>
<u>Debt Service</u>					
Principal of Long-Term Debt		888,226	888,226		
Interest Expense - Long-Term Debt		676,000	675,715		285
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes		36,500			36,500
Total Debt Service		<u>1,600,726</u>	<u>1,563,941</u>		<u>36,785</u>
<u>Capital Outlay</u>					
Sun Valley Sewer	1,254,466		840,020	268,208	146,238
Digitize Maps/Plotter	185				185
Culvert/Inlet Project	4,036		4,154		(118)
Library Computer		10,000	9,975		25
Eaton Park		35,462	36,095		(633)
Rescue Boat		12,000	11,869		131
Saltmarsh Restoration		30,000		30,000	
Total Capital Outlay	<u>1,258,687</u>	<u>87,462</u>	<u>902,113</u>	<u>298,208</u>	<u>145,828</u>
<u>Intergovernmental</u>					
School District Assessments		13,196,262	13,196,262		
County Tax Assessment		1,550,258	1,550,258		
Precinct Assessment		341,388	341,388		
Total Intergovernmental		<u>15,087,908</u>	<u>15,087,908</u>		
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
<u>Operating Transfers Out</u>					
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>					
Special Revenue Funds		520,319	510,399		9,920
Capital Reserve Funds		30,000	30,000		
Total Operating Transfers Out		<u>550,319</u>	<u>540,399</u>		<u>9,920</u>
<u>Total Appropriations</u>					
<u>Expenditures and Encumbrances</u>	<u>\$ 1,754,648</u>	<u>\$ 30,140,465</u>	<u>\$ 30,912,324</u>	<u>\$ 475,196</u>	<u>\$ 507,593</u>

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*SCHEDULE A-3
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997*

<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u> <u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	\$ 1,712,445
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Deductions

Unreserved Fund Balance Used		
To Reduce 1997 Tax Rate	\$ 1,129,147	
Increase In Reserve For Contingencies	<u>463,846</u>	
Total Deductions		<u>1,592,993</u>
		\$ 119,452

Additions

<u>1997 Budget Summary</u>		
Revenue Surplus (Schedule A-1)	\$ 716,044	
Unexpended Balance of		
Appropriations (Schedule A-2)	<u>507,593</u>	
		<u>1,223,637</u>

1997 Budget Surplus

<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u> <u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 1,343,089</u>
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*SCHEDULE B-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1997*

	Lane Memorial <u>Library</u>	Conservation <u>Commission</u>	Cemetery <u>Trustees</u>	Beach <u>Infrastructure</u>	U.S.S. <u>Hampton</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>						
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 44,478	\$ 846	\$ 1,424	\$	\$	\$ 46,748
Investments	20,104	11,804				31,908
Interfund Receivable	<u>385</u>	<u>9,035</u>	<u></u>	<u>42,957</u>	<u>2,537</u>	<u>54,914</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 64,967</u>	 <u>\$ 21,685</u>	 <u>\$ 1,424</u>	 <u>\$ 42,957</u>	 <u>\$ 2,537</u>	 <u>\$ 133,570</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>						
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Accounts Payable	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ <u></u>	\$ 5,611	\$ <u></u>	\$ 5,611
 <u>Fund Balances</u>						
<u>Unreserved</u>						
Designated For						
Special Purposes	<u>64,967</u>	<u>21,685</u>	<u>1,424</u>	<u>37,346</u>	<u>2,537</u>	<u>127,959</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ 64,967</u>	 <u>\$ 21,685</u>	 <u>\$ 1,424</u>	 <u>\$ 42,957</u>	 <u>\$ 2,537</u>	 <u>\$ 133,570</u>

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SCHEDULE B-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Lane Memorial Library	Conservation Commission	Cemetery Trustees	Beach Infrastructure	U.S.S. Hampton	Total
<u>Revenues</u>						
Taxes	\$	\$ 6,535	\$	\$	\$	\$ 6,535
Intergovernmental Revenues	547					547
Charges for Services	8,071					8,071
Miscellaneous	49,350	797	20,310	50,779	422	121,658
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>						
Operating Transfers In	<u>506,824</u>	<u>3,960</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>510,784</u>
<u>Total Revenues and</u>						
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>564,792</u>	<u>11,292</u>	<u>20,310</u>	<u>50,779</u>	<u>422</u>	<u>647,595</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>						
<u>Current</u>						
General Government			86			86
Conservation		3,888				3,888
Culture and Recreation	552,624			13,433		566,057
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>						
Operating Transfers Out	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>35,500</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>35,500</u>
<u>Total Expenditures and</u>						
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>552,624</u>	<u>3,888</u>	<u>35,586</u>	<u>13,433</u>	<u> </u>	<u>605,531</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues</u>						
<u>and Other Financing Sources</u>						
<u>Over (Under) Expenditures</u>						
<u>and Other Financing Uses</u>	12,168	7,404	(15,276)	37,346	422	42,064
<u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	<u>52,799</u>	<u>14,281</u>	<u>16,700</u>	<u> </u>	<u>2,115</u>	<u>85,895</u>
<u>Fund Balances - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 64,967</u>	<u>\$ 21,685</u>	<u>\$ 1,424</u>	<u>\$ 37,346</u>	<u>\$ 2,537</u>	<u>\$ 127,959</u>

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SCHEDULE B-3
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Fund - Lane Memorial Library
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Operating Account	Fines Account	Trustees Account	Total
<u>Revenues</u>				
<u>Intergovernmental</u>				
Grant	\$	\$	\$ 547	\$ 547
<u>Charges For Services</u>				
Video Rentals		5,451		5,451
Non-Resident Fees		2,620		2,620
<u>Miscellaneous</u>				
Book Sales and Fines		16,604		16,604
Interest Income	249	290	1,223	1,762
Meeting Room Rentals		575		575
Fundraising		840		840
Donations			26,215	26,215
Other		1,795	40	1,835
Copy Machine		1,519		1,519
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>				
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>				
General Fund	506,439			506,439
Trust Funds			385	385
<u>Total Revenues and</u>				
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>506,688</u>	<u>29,694</u>	<u>28,410</u>	<u>564,792</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>				
<u>Current</u>				
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>				
Salaries and Benefits	353,788			353,788
Administrative Costs	43,611	6,667	350	50,628
Books, Periodicals and Programs	69,938	28,049		97,987
Operations and Maintenance of Facilities	34,503	1,056		35,559
Capital Acquisitions and Improvements	<u>4,884</u>	<u>3,120</u>	<u>6,658</u>	<u>14,662</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>506,724</u>	<u>38,892</u>	<u>7,008</u>	<u>552,624</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues</u>				
<u>and Other Financing Sources</u>				
<u>Over (Under) Expenditures</u>	(36)	(9,198)	21,402	12,168
<u>Fund Balance - January 1</u>	<u>5,874</u>	<u>19,191</u>	<u>27,734</u>	<u>52,799</u>
<u>Fund Balance - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 5,838</u>	<u>\$ 9,993</u>	<u>\$ 49,136</u>	<u>\$ 64,967</u>

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SCHEDULE B-4
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Fund - Conservation Commission
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

Revenues

Taxes

Land Use Change \$ 6,535

Miscellaneous

Interest Income 797

Other Financing Sources

Operating Transfers In

General Fund 3,960

Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources \$ 11,292

Expenditures

Current

Conservation Commission Expenses 3,888

Excess of Revenues and

Other Financing Sources

Over Expenditures 7,404

Fund Balance - January 1 14,281

Fund Balance - December 31 \$ 21,685

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*SCHEDULE B-5
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Special Revenue Fund - Cemetery Trustees
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997*

Revenues

Miscellaneous

Burial Ground Funds	\$ 18,800
Sale of Graves	86
Interest Income	27
Other	<u>1,397</u>

Total Revenues

\$ 20,310

Expenditures

Current

General Government

Graves	\$ 86
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Other Financing Uses

Operating Transfers Out

Trust Funds	16,700
General Fund	<u>18,800</u>

Total Expenditures and

Other Financing Uses

35,586

(Deficiency) of Revenues

(Under) Expenditures

(15,276)

and Other Financing Uses

Fund Balance - January 1

16,700

Fund Balance - December 31

\$ 1,424

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SCHEDULE C-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Capital Projects Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1997

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade</u>	<u>Municipal Landfill Closure</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 48,377	\$ 4,039	\$ 52,416
<u>Receivables</u>			
Intergovernmental	<u>107,418</u>	<u> </u>	<u>107,418</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 155,795</u>	 <u>\$ 4,039</u>	 <u>\$ 159,834</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$	\$ 334	\$ 334
Retainage Payable	41,520	4,039	45,559
Interfund Payable	<u>114,069</u>	<u>55,465</u>	<u>169,534</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>155,589</u>	<u>59,838</u>	<u>215,427</u>
 <u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved For Special Purposes	206		206
<u>Unreserved</u>			
Undesignated (Deficit)	<u> </u>	<u>(55,799)</u>	<u>(55,799)</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>206</u>	<u>(55,799)</u>	<u>(55,593)</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ 155,795</u>	 <u>\$ 4,039</u>	 <u>\$ 159,834</u>

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SCHEDULE C-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Capital Projects Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	<u>Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade</u>	<u>Municipal Landfill Closure</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Revenues</u>			
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 927,033	\$ 81,658	\$ 1,008,691
Miscellaneous	<u>573</u>	<u></u>	<u>573</u>
<u>Total Revenues</u>	<u>927,606</u>	<u>81,658</u>	<u>1,009,264</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
<u>Capital Outlay</u>			
Real Property Acquisition		24,168	24,168
Architectural/Engineering	86,223		86,223
General Construction	796,775	23,000	819,775
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures		4,800	4,800
Administration	34,358	70,626	104,984
Other	<u></u>	<u>40,319</u>	<u>40,319</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>917,356</u>	<u>162,913</u>	<u>1,080,269</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues</u>			
<u>Over (Under) Expenditures</u>	10,250	(81,255)	(71,005)
<u>Fund Balance (Deficit) - January 1</u>	<u>(10,044)</u>	<u>25,456</u>	<u>15,412</u>
<u>Fund Balance (Deficit) - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 206</u>	<u>\$ (55,799)</u>	<u>\$ (55,593)</u>

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*SCHEDULE D-1
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Trust and Agency Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 1997*

ASSETS	Trust Funds		Agency Funds	Total
	Expendable	Nonexpendable		
	Capital Reserve	Town		
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 82,772	\$ 19,982	\$ 76,954	\$ 179,708
Investments		13,867,811		13,867,811
<u>Receivables</u>				
Interest		158,472		158,472
Other			2,739,946	2,739,946
Mortgage Notes Receivable		<u>462,218</u>		<u>462,218</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 82,772</u>	 <u>\$ 14,508,483</u>	 <u>\$ 2,816,900</u>	 <u>\$ 17,408,155</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>				
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Accounts Payable	\$	\$ 6,249	\$	\$ 6,249
Intergovernmental Payable	26,015			26,015
Interfund Payable		839,907		839,907
Escrow and Performance Deposits			76,954	76,954
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable			<u>2,739,946</u>	<u>2,739,946</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>26,015</u>	<u>846,156</u>	<u>2,816,900</u>	<u>3,689,071</u>
 <u>Fund Balances</u>				
Reserved For Endowments		13,652,846		13,652,846
Reserved For Special Purposes	<u>56,757</u>	<u>9,481</u>		<u>66,238</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>56,757</u>	<u>13,662,327</u>		<u>13,719,084</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	 <u>\$ 82,772</u>	 <u>\$ 14,508,483</u>	 <u>\$ 2,816,900</u>	 <u>\$ 17,408,155</u>

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SCHEDULE D-2
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	<u>Town Trusts</u>	<u>Real Estate Trust</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Operating Revenues</u>			
New Funds	\$ 16,800	\$	\$ 16,800
Interest and Dividends	10,620	837,865	848,485
Capital Gains		16,094	16,094
Sale of Land	<u> </u>	<u>298,300</u>	<u>298,300</u>
 <u>Total Operating Revenues</u>	 <u>27,420</u>	 <u>1,152,259</u>	 <u>1,179,679</u>
 <u>Operating Expenses</u>			
Administration		14,707	14,707
Operating Transfers	14,121	825,786	839,907
Trust Income Distributions	<u>97</u>	<u> </u>	<u>97</u>
 <u>Total Operating Expenses</u>	 <u>14,218</u>	 <u>840,493</u>	 <u>854,711</u>
 <u>Net Income</u>	 13,202	 311,766	 324,968
 <u>Fund Balances - January 1</u>	 <u>193,586</u>	 <u>13,143,773</u>	 <u>13,337,359</u>
 <u>Fund Balances - December 31</u>	 <u>\$ 206,788</u>	 <u>\$ 13,455,539</u>	 <u>\$ 13,662,327</u>

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EXHIBIT D-3
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combining Statement of Cash Flows
All Nonexpendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Town Trusts	Real Estate Trusts	Total
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</u>			
Interest and Dividends Received	\$ 10,620	\$ 856,991	\$ 867,611
New Funds Received	16,800	298,300	315,100
Cash Received From Mortgagees		110,984	110,984
Trust Income Distributions	(97)	(12,880)	(12,977)
Operating Transfers	<u>(1,787)</u>	<u>(833,945)</u>	<u>(835,732)</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	25,536	419,450	444,986
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</u>			
Net Purchase of Investment Securities	<u>(12,496)</u>	<u>(424,578)</u>	<u>(437,074)</u>
<u>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash</u>	13,040	(5,128)	7,912
<u>Cash - January 1</u>	<u>6,942</u>	<u>5,128</u>	<u>12,070</u>
<u>Cash - December 31</u>	<u>\$ 19,982</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 19,982</u>

*Reconciliation of Net Income to Net
Cash Provided by Operating Activities*

<u>Net Income</u>	<u>\$ 13,202</u>	<u>\$ 311,766</u>	<u>\$ 324,968</u>
<u>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities</u>			
Gain on Sales of Investments		(16,094)	(16,094)
<u>(Increase) Decrease in Receivables</u>			
Mortgages		110,984	110,984
Interest Receivable		19,126	19,126
<u>(Increase) Decrease in Liabilities</u>			
Accounts Payable		1,827	1,827
Due to Other Funds	<u>12,334</u>	<u>(8,159)</u>	<u>4,175</u>
<u>Total Adjustments</u>	<u>12,334</u>	<u>107,684</u>	<u>120,018</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</u>	<u>\$ 25,536</u>	<u>\$ 419,450</u>	<u>\$ 444,986</u>

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SCHEDULE D-4
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Agency Funds
Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

<u>Developers'</u> <u>Performance Bond Fund</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>January 1,</u> <u>1997</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>December 31,</u> <u>1997</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Equivalents	<u>\$ 53,996</u>	<u>\$ 23,958</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 76,954</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	<u>\$ 53,996</u>	<u>\$ 23,958</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 76,954</u>
<u>Deferred Compensation Plan</u>				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Due From Others	<u>\$ 2,078,091</u>	<u>\$ 733,970</u>	<u>\$ 72,115</u>	<u>\$ 2,739,946</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	<u>\$ 2,078,091</u>	<u>\$ 733,970</u>	<u>\$ 72,115</u>	<u>\$ 2,739,946</u>
<u>Total - All</u> <u>Agency Funds</u>				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Equivalents	<u>\$ 53,996</u>	<u>\$ 23,958</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 76,954</u>
Due From Others	<u>2,078,091</u>	<u>733,970</u>	<u>72,115</u>	<u>2,739,946</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 2,132,087</u>	<u>\$ 757,928</u>	<u>\$ 73,115</u>	<u>\$ 2,816,900</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	<u>\$ 53,996</u>	<u>\$ 23,958</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 76,954</u>
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	<u>2,078,091</u>	<u>733,970</u>	<u>72,115</u>	<u>2,739,946</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 2,132,087</u>	<u>\$ 757,928</u>	<u>\$ 73,115</u>	<u>\$ 2,816,900</u>

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ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

*SCHEDULE I
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Town Clerk's Account
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997*

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<u>Motor Vehicle Permits Issued</u>		\$ 1,847,156
<u>Motor Vehicle Title Fees</u>		7,382
<u>Motor Vehicle Agent Fees</u>		44,660
<u>Dog Licenses</u>		
Town Share	\$ 5,088	
State Share	<u>2,378</u>	7,466
<u>UCC Filing Fees</u>		7,766
<u>Vital Statistics</u>		
Town Share	\$ 3,136	
State Share	<u>9,406</u>	12,542
<u>Miscellaneous</u>		<u>12,900</u>
<u>Total Collected for Licenses and Fees</u>		<u>\$ 1,939,872</u>

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<u>Remittance to Treasurer</u>	<u>\$ 1,939,872</u>
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SCHEDULE II
TOWN OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Trust Funds
Summary of Principal and Income
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Principal			
	Balance January 1, <u>1997</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance December 31, <u>1997</u>
<u>Nonexpendable Trust Funds</u>				
Real Estate Trust	\$ 13,143,774	\$ 314,393	\$ 2,628	\$ 13,455,539
Cemetery	163,323	16,700		180,023
Town Needy	3,781			3,781
Library	9,636			9,636
Sports Scholarship	3,767	100		3,867
<u>Expendable Trust Funds</u>				
<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>				
Hampton Beach Village Precinct	5,156			5,156
Apparatus Replacement	8,000	8,000		16,000
<u>Town</u>				
Fire Fighting Apparatus	22,898			22,898
Computer System Upgrade	<u> </u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u> </u>	<u>30,000</u>
<u>Total All Trust Funds</u>	<u>\$ 13,360,335</u>	<u>\$ 369,193</u>	<u>\$ 2,628</u>	<u>\$ 13,726,900</u>

Income				
Balance January 1, <u>1997</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance December 31, <u>1997</u>	Balance of Principal and Income <u>December 31, 1997</u>
\$	\$ 840,492	\$ 840,492	\$	\$ 13,455,539
12,828	10,018	13,724	9,122	189,145
1	13	13	1	3,782
1	385	385	1	9,637
250	204	97	357	4,224
3,461	452		3,913	9,069
334	612		946	16,946
2,134	1,284		3,418	26,316
<u> </u>	<u>441</u>	<u> </u>	<u>441</u>	<u>30,441</u>
<u>\$19,009</u>	<u>\$ 853,901</u>	<u>\$ 854,711</u>	<u>\$ 18,199</u>	<u>\$ 13,745,099</u>

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hampton
Hampton, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Hampton for the year ended December 31, 1997, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the Town's accounting systems and records were identified. Our comments covering trust fund recordkeeping were communicated in a separate letter to the Trustees of Trust Funds dated February 2, 1998.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

*Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association*

January 29, 1998

HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT

HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1997

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

The Board of Commissioners
Hampton Beach Village District
Hampton, New Hampshire 03842

We have audited the financial statements of the Hampton Beach Village District, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1997, in accordance with State of New Hampshire RSA. 71-A:19. Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Commissioners, Treasurer, and Trustees of Trust Funds.

As a part of our examination, we reviewed and tested the District's system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. Under these standards, the purpose of such evaluation is to establish a basis for reliance thereon in determining the nature, timing, and extent of other auditing procedures that are necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

The objective of internal accounting controls is to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance as to the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the cost of a system of internal accounting control should not exceed the benefits derived, and also recognizes that the evaluation of the factors necessarily requires the use of estimates and judgments by district officials.

In connection with our audit report dated January 27, 1998, we noted the following:

A. Capital Reserve Accounts

Our audit indicated that moneys to be transferred to the Capital Reserve Account as included in the annual budget were not properly and timely transferred. In addition moneys due back from the Capital Reserve Accounts in 1997 were not paid until 1998. These differences created "due from" and "due to" balances in both accounts at year end.

It is recommended that transfers to Capital Reserve Accounts and transfers from Capital Reserve Accounts be timely made to the respective cash accounts.

B. General Ledger Bookkeeping

The present system for posting transactions to the general ledger needs to be changed for the inclusion of the following:

Cash Receipts - Cash Receipts needs to be broken down by category and type including the categories used on the municipal budget report.

Cash Disbursements - The structure of the operating expense accounts used by the town is controlled, however, accounts such as encumbrances accounts payable, capital reserve and fiduciary funds are not properly segregated in the ledgers.

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B. General Ledger Bookkeeping - Continued

We recommend that the current individual with control of the general ledger coordinate with our firm to expand the system and the number of accounts to correct the above deficiencies.

C. General Fixed Assets Accounting

In general, accounting for fixed assets provides information for estimating the amount of insurance needed, monitors asset utilization, provides a safeguarding over the asset, and allows for depreciation to be estimated when applicable. As reported in prior years communications, the District does not maintain records for its investment in property, plant and equipment because historical cost data is not available.

Current government accounting standards and generally accepted accounting principles require full disclosure of local government fixed asset funds for complete presentation of financial condition.

We recommend that the District adopt a system for fixed asset control that will include all property, plant and equipment purchases and the required depreciation schedules to recognize the net historical cost value of these assets.

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In closing, I compliment and thank the Commissioners and staff of the Hampton Beach Village District for their competent assistance during the course of the audit.

William C. Youngclaus & Associates
Certified Public Accountants

By: 

William C. Youngclaus
Certified Public Accountant

January 27, 1998

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Board of Commissioners
Hampton Beach Village District
Hampton, New Hampshire 03842

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Hampton Beach Village District as of December 31, 1997 and for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Hampton Beach Village District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.


We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above omit the general fixed asset account group, which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. This omission results in an incomplete presentation of the financial statements. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed asset account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the omission of the information discussed in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hampton Beach Village District as of December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations, changes in their fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary schedules are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the combined financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

William C. Youngclaus & Associates
Certified Public Accountants
By:



William C. Youngclaus
Certified Public Accountant

January 27, 1998

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EXHIBIT A
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES
DECEMBER 31, 1997

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Fiduciary Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
				12/31/97	12/31/96
ASSETS					
Cash - Checking	\$ 35,726.03	\$ ----	\$ ----	\$ 35,726.03	\$ 28,905.99
Savings Account	83,539.35	25,964.79	3,744.05	113,248.19	102,922.34
Due From Other Funds	<u>14,500.00</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>14,500.00</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 133,765.38</u>	<u>\$ 25,964.79</u>	<u>\$ 3,744.05</u>	<u>\$ 163,474.22</u>	<u>\$ 139,828.33</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,249.67	\$ ----	\$ ----	\$ 2,249.67	\$ 3,719.60
Due To Other Funds	<u>----</u>	<u>14,500.00</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>14,500.00</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 2,249.67</u>	<u>\$ 14,500.00</u>	<u>\$ ----</u>	<u>\$ 16,749.67</u>	<u>\$ 11,719.60</u>
Fund Equity:					
Fund Balances					
Reserved	\$ 27,200.00	\$ 11,464.79	\$ ----	\$ 38,664.79	\$ 56,951.44
Unreserved;					
Designated For Subsequent					
Years Expenditures	----	----	3,744.05	3,744.05	13,209.66
Undesignated	<u>104,315.71</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>104,315.71</u>	<u>57,947.63</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>131,515.71</u>	<u>11,464.79</u>	<u>3,744.05</u>	<u>146,724.55</u>	<u>128,108.73</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 133,765.38</u>	<u>\$ 25,964.79</u>	<u>\$ 3,744.05</u>	<u>\$ 163,474.22</u>	<u>\$ 139,828.33</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EXHIBIT B
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND SURPLUS
GENERAL AND CAPITAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	General	Capital	Fiduciary	Totals	
	Fund	Projects	Funds	(Memorandum Only)	
		Fund		12/31/97	12/31/96
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$ 341,388.00	\$ ----	\$ ----	\$ 341,388.00	\$ 307,457.00
Inter-Governmental Revenue - State	795.79	----	----	795.79	795.79
Charges For Services	29,598.00	----	----	29,598.00	26,297.00
Miscellaneous Revenue - Refunds	7,088.20	----	11,575.00	18,663.20	12,529.50
Interest	4,536.66	1,013.35	291.48	5,841.49	3,561.03
Total Revenues	<u>383,406.65</u>	<u>1,013.35</u>	<u>11,866.48</u>	<u>396,286.48</u>	<u>350,640.32</u>
Expenditures					
General Governmental	31,507.89	----	----	31,507.89	38,105.40
Public Safety	37,260.65	----	----	37,260.65	41,981.83
Non-Exempt Taxation Only:					
Culture and Recreation	238,070.03	----	21,332.09	259,402.12	204,922.52
Capital Outlay	----	49,500.00	----	49,500.00	----
Total Expenditures	<u>306,838.57</u>	<u>49,500.00</u>	<u>21,332.09</u>	<u>377,670.66</u>	<u>285,009.75</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)					
Expenditures	<u>76,568.08</u>	<u>(48,486.65)</u>	<u>(9,465.61)</u>	<u>18,615.82</u>	<u>65,630.57</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Operating Transfers In	----	35,000.00	----	35,000.00	8,000.00
Operating Transfers Out	<u>(35,000.00)</u>	----	----	<u>(35,000.00)</u>	<u>(8,000.00)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(35,000.00)</u>	<u>35,000.00</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>----</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources					
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other					
Sources (Uses)	41,568.08	(13,486.65)	(9,465.61)	18,615.82	65,630.57
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>89,947.63</u>	<u>24,951.44</u>	<u>13,209.66</u>	<u>128,108.73</u>	<u>62,478.16</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 131,515.71</u>	<u>\$ 11,464.79</u>	<u>\$ 3,744.05</u>	<u>\$ 146,724.55</u>	<u>\$ 128,108.73</u>

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EXHIBIT C
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS)
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		Variance
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 339,509.00	\$ 341,388.00	\$ 1,879.00
Inter-Governmental Revenues - State	796.00	795.79	(0.21)
Charges for Services	24,000.00	29,598.00	5,598.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	200.00	7,088.20	6,888.20
Interest	----	4,536.66	4,536.66
Total Revenues	<u>364,505.00</u>	<u>383,406.65</u>	<u>18,901.65</u>
Other Financing Sources:			
Operating Transfers In	----	----	----
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	<u>364,505.00</u>	<u>383,406.65</u>	<u>18,901.65</u>
Expenditures:			
General Governmental	50,675.00	46,007.89	(4,667.11)
Public Safety	45,830.00	37,460.65	(8,369.35)
Non-Exempt Taxation Only:			
Culture, Recreation and Advertising	<u>233,000.00</u>	<u>218,570.03</u>	<u>(14,429.97)</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>329,505.00</u>	<u>302,038.57</u>	<u>(27,466.43)</u>
Other Financing Uses:			
Operating Transfers Out Capital Reserve	<u>35,000.00</u>	<u>35,000.00</u>	<u>----</u>
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	<u>364,505.00</u>	<u>337,038.57</u>	<u>(27,466.43)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue and Other Financing Sources			
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	----	46,368.08	46,368.08
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>57,947.63</u>	<u>57,947.63</u>	<u>----</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 57,947.63</u>	<u>\$ 104,315.71</u>	<u>\$ 46,368.08</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EXHIBIT D
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Fiduciary Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only) 12/31/97	12/31/96
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Sources (Uses)	\$ 41,568.08	\$ (13,486.65)	\$ (9,465.61)	\$ 18,615.82	\$ 65,630.57
Adjustments to Reconcile Excess of Revenue and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Sources to Net Cash From Operations:					
Changes In Assets and Liabilities:					
Due From Other Funds (Increase) Decrease	(14,500.00)	8,000.00	----	(6,500.00)	----
Accounts Payable Increase (Decrease)	(1,469.93)	----	----	(1,469.93)	(28,752.32)
Due To Other Funds Increase (Decrease)	(8,000.00)	14,500.00	----	6,500.00	----
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash	17,598.15	9,013.35	(9,465.61)	17,145.89	36,878.25
Cash Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>101,667.23</u>	<u>16,951.44</u>	<u>13,209.66</u>	<u>131,828.33</u>	<u>94,950.08</u>
Cash Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 119,265.38</u>	<u>\$ 25,964.79</u>	<u>\$ 3,744.05</u>	<u>\$ 148,974.22</u>	<u>\$ 131,828.33</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial Reporting Entity

Hampton Beach Village District is a municipal corporation organized and designated as a District under the laws of the State of New Hampshire. The District is governed by an elected three member board of commissioners. The purpose of the District is to provide general government services, certain public safety services and culture and recreation benefits for Hampton Beach Village District. The District is located within the Town of Hampton, New Hampshire.

Types and Purposes of Funds

- A. General funds are intended to provide recurring general services. They are controlled by a budget approved by the voters. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid general/operation expenditures, fixed charges, and capital costs not paid through other funds.
- B. Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial assets obtained and used for the acquisition or improvement of major capital facilities. The District's Capital Projects Funds include the following:
1. The General Capital Improvements Fund consists of moneys voted in 1981 for capital improvements as the result of the sale of the saltwater protective system. The original voted amount was \$75,000. As of 12/31/97, the balance of the fund was \$9,068.98 including interest. Interest for 1997 was \$451.98.
 2. The Fire Equipment Capital Fund voted in March of 1995 and March of 1996 for the purpose of purchasing major fire equipment in subsequent years. As of 12/31/97, the balance of the fund was \$2395.81 including interest. Interest for 1997 was \$561.37.
- C. Fiduciary Fund Types account for financial assets held by the district in a trustee or agency capacity for individuals or private organizations. The District's Fiduciary Funds consist of the following:
1. Ross Trust Fund, designated for subsequent years children's benefit programs. The balance of this account at 12/31/97 was \$875.94. Interest for 1997 amounted to \$18.21.
 2. Hampton Beach Playground Contribution Fund, an agency fund, established for subsequent years playground additions. The balance of this fund at 12/31/97 was \$2,868.11. Interest for 1997 amounted to \$273.27.

Basis of Accounting

The accounting policies of the Hampton Beach Village District conform to generally accepted accounting principles for local governmental units except as indicated hereinafter.

Governmental funds utilize the modified accrual basis whereby revenues are recorded when measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the liability is incurred (accrual basis) except:

- A Disbursements for inventory items (materials and supplies) are considered expenditures at the time of purchase.
- B Prepaid expenses are not normally recorded.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

General Fixed Asset Account Group

Property, plant and equipment acquired or constructed for general governmental services are recorded as expenditures in the fund making the expenditure. Funds used to acquire general fixed assets and/or debt service payments on borrowing in connection therewith are accounted for as expenditures in the year payments are made. This represents a departure from generally accepted accounting principles which require that fixed assets be capitalized and accounted for in a separate fixed asset group of accounts.

Total Columns on Combined Statements - Overview

Total columns on the Combined Statements - Overview are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund elimination's have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

2. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

Significant General Budget Policies

The District follows a formal budgetary procedure in accordance with various legal requirements governing the District's operations.

At an annual District meeting the District adopts a budget for the current year for the General Fund.

Project-length budgets are adopted for the Capital Projects Fund when major capital facility expenditures are planned. The governing commissioners may transfer appropriations between exempt operating expenditures as they deem necessary, but not between exempt and non-exempt categories. All annual budget appropriations lapse at year end unless encumbered.

State statutes require annual balanced budgets but allow entities to use prior years unreserved fund balances as revenues to balance the current years appropriations. For the year ended December 31, 1997, no such prior year unreserved fund balances were applied for this purpose.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is used for the general fund and capital projects funds. Encumbrances are recorded when purchase orders, contracts, and continuing appropriations are issued or voted, but are not considered expenditures until liabilities for payments are incurred. Encumbrances are reported as a reservation of fund balance on the balance sheet. Encumbrances do not lapse at year end but are carried forward as a reserved balance until liquidated.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997**

2. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING (CONTINUED)

Reconciliation of Precinct Budget to GAAP Basis of Accounting

Amounts included as budgetary expenditures in the "Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis) General Fund" (Exhibit C) are presented on the basis budgeted by the District and include encumbrances for various playground expenditures. This amount differs from those reported in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (Exhibit B) as follows:

	Encumbered Balance 12/31/96	Encumbrance Paid For In 1997	Encumbered As Of 12/31/97	Encumbered Balance 12/31/97
General Government	\$ 9,000.00	\$ ----	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 23,500.00
Public Safety	----	----	200.00	200.00
Culture and Recreation	23,000.00	(23,000.00)	3,500.00	3,500.00
Total	<u>\$ 32,000.00</u>	<u>\$ (23,000.00)</u>	<u>\$ 18,200.00</u>	<u>\$ 27,200.00</u>

3. CASH AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

The District Treasurer is required by State statute to have custody of all moneys belonging to the District and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the commissioners. The District Treasurer shall deposit all such moneys in solvent banks in the state or in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383.22. Funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver to the state treasurer as collateral security for such deposits in value at least equal to the amount of the deposit in each case.

Whenever the District Treasurer has an excess of funds which are not immediately needed for the purpose of expenditure, State statutes require the Treasurer, with the approval of the commissioners, invest the same in obligations of the United States government, in savings bank deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in certificates of deposits of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in national banks located within this state or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Any person who directly or indirectly receives any such funds or moneys for deposit or for investment in securities of any kind shall, prior to acceptance of such funds, make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the District. Only securities defined by the bank commissioner as provided by rules adopted pursuant to RSA 386:57 shall be eligible to be pledged as collateral.

For financial planning purposes, cash and equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and money market funds, as well as certificates of deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of 90 days or less.

As of December 31, 1997 savings account balances in the amount of \$65,434.87 was secured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation and \$83,539.35 was invested in the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997**

4. DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

As of December 31, 1997, \$14,500.00 was due from the Capital Projects Fund (Fire Equipment) to the General Fund for equipment purchased.

5. PROPERTY TAXES

The property tax year is from April 1st to March 31st and all property taxes are assessed on the property valuation taken in April of that year. The property tax rate is established in the fall by the State Department of Revenue Administration after the review and approval. The property taxes are collected by the Town of Hampton and paid over to the District, upon request, at various times during the year. The responsibility of tax collection and property tax liens is vested in the Town of Hampton.

Taxes raised by the District are assessed using different rates for non-exempt property and exempt property. Non-exempt property taxes are based on total budgeted appropriations, including appropriations for culture and recreation allocated to the District's activities.

Exempt property taxes exclude the appropriations for culture and recreation and are assessed only on the budgeted appropriations of general government and public safety.

For 1997, the total tax assessment consisted of:

	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Assessed Tax</u>
Non-exempt	\$200,097,800	\$1.17/\$1000	\$ 234,114.00
Exempt	\$238,387,500	\$.45/\$1000	<u>107,274.00</u>
Total			<u>\$ 341,388.00</u>

6. LITIGATION

The District is a defendant in a suit, arising in the normal course of the District's activities. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of the suit will not have a material affect on the financial position of the District.

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997**

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts, thefts of, damages to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District is insured under various policies as of 12/31/97, covering the following:

<u>Policy</u>	<u>Coverage</u>
General Blanket and Fire Policy, Building and Contents	\$538,000 Per Occurrence
Boiler Equipment and Machinery Policy	\$439,500 Per Occurrence
Hazardous Waste Policy	\$100,000 Per Occurrence
Flood Insurance:	
Building	\$44,300
Contents	\$17,600
General Commercial Liability	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence and \$2,000,000 Aggregate
Fire Commercial Liability	\$500,000 Per Occurrence
Public Official Liability	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence and Aggregate
Workers Compensation	\$100,000 Per Accident
Bond Coverage	\$25,000
Automobile Liability Policy	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence
Automobile Equipment Policy	\$234,000.00

The total cost of insurance coverage for the year ended July 1, 1998 was \$13,596.

**SUPPLEMENTARY GENERAL FUND STATEMENTS OF
REVENUES AND EXPENSES (NON-GAAP) BUDGETARY BASIS**

SCHEDULE 1
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES - BUDGET AND
ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BASIS) - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		Over (Under)
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
District Taxes	\$ 339,509.00	\$ 341,388.00	\$ 1,879.00
Inter-Governmental Revenues:			
Business Profits Tax	796.00	795.79	(0.21)
Charges For Services:			
Rent of District Property - Parking	24,000.00	29,598.00	5,598.00
Sale of Town Property	----	----	----
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Ashworth Fund	200.00	200.00	----
Rebates and Miscellaneous Income	----	63.20	63.20
Sale of Town Property	----	6,100.00	6,100.00
Insurance Claim	----	725.00	725.00
Interest	----	4,536.66	4,536.66
Fund Surplus Used (Added) to Adjust Tax Rate	----	----	----
TOTALS	<u>\$ 364,505.00</u>	<u>\$ 383,406.65</u>	<u>\$ 18,901.65</u>

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SCHEDULE 2
HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - BUDGET (NON-GAAP BASIS) AND
ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		Over (Under)
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
General Government:			
Office Salaries and Expense	\$ 2,175.00	\$ 2,325.00	\$ 150.00
Financial Administration	3,300.00	3,300.00	----
Legal Expense	3,000.00	2,011.00	(989.00)
General Government Building Maintenance	18,500.00	15,663.20	(2,836.80)
Insurance	14,500.00	13,596.00	(904.00)
Other General Government	<u>9,200.00</u>	<u>9,112.69</u>	<u>(87.31)</u>
Total General Government	<u>\$ 50,675.00</u>	<u>\$ 46,007.89</u>	<u>\$ (4,667.11)</u>
Public Safety:			
Fire Equipment	\$ 6,950.00	\$ 3,607.44	\$ (3,342.56)
Fire Station Maintenance	9,550.00	3,994.39	(5,555.61)
Fire Truck Repair	7,500.00	12,252.93	4,752.93
Fire Gasoline	1,605.00	1,204.21	(400.79)
Fire Communications	7,600.00	3,986.16	(3,613.84)
Fire Utilities and Supplies	<u>12,625.00</u>	<u>12,415.52</u>	<u>(209.48)</u>
Total Public Safety	<u>\$ 45,830.00</u>	<u>\$ 37,460.65</u>	<u>\$ (8,369.35)</u>
Non-Exempt Taxation Only:			
Culture, Recreation, and Advertising:			
Advertising	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 135,413.50	\$ (4,586.50)
Band	49,000.00	47,000.00	(2,000.00)
Children's Day	3,000.00	3,000.00	----
Fireworks	26,000.00	24,120.00	(1,880.00)
Playground Expense	<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>9,036.53</u>	<u>(5,963.47)</u>
Total Culture, Recreation, and Advertising	<u>\$ 233,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 218,570.03</u>	<u>\$ (14,429.97)</u>
Transfers Out to Capital Reserve Fund	<u>\$ 35,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 35,000.00</u>	<u>\$ ----</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$ 364,505.00</u>	<u>\$ 337,038.57</u>	<u>\$ (27,466.43)</u>

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Residential Rubbish Collection Schedule

(DPW Tel: 926-3202)

Area of Town	Year Round Collection
1. Ocean Boulevard, from Winnacunnet Rd. south to Seabrook town line, west to Marsh.	Monday
2. Lafayette Road, both sides, and west to Exeter line.	Tuesday
3. North of High Street to N. Hampton line,	Wednesday
4. High Street, both sides to Ocean Blvd., and south-west to Hampton Falls town line.	Thursday
5. Ocean Blvd., from Winnacunnet Rd. north to North Hampton town line, west to Eel Creek, excluding lower end of Winnacunnet Rd. & High Street.	Friday

Commercial Rubbish Collection Schedule

All Schools & Stores.....	Monday through Friday
All Eating Places.....	Monday through Friday (also Saturday & Sunday during summer*)
All Hotels, Motels, Apartment Complexes w/ 6+ units....	Mon., Wed., & Friday
All Filling Stations.....	Monday & Friday

**Summer season begins the third Monday in June and ends the second Saturday in September*

Spring Clean-Up

Uptown	Second Week in May
Beach.....	Third Week in May

Holiday Collections

Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day will receive normal pick-up. **Scheduled collections on the remaining holidays will be picked up the next day.** During severe inclement weather, no pick-ups will be made until the following week on the scheduled day.

Transfer Station Hours

(Entrance: Landing Road near Winnacunnet Road)

WINTER HOURS: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Thursday Noon - 3:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:30 -3:00 p.m.

SUMMER HOURS: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday Noon - 4:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Closed Tuesday and Sunday

